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New Black & White in Haliburton County



They say that all good things come back around full circle and that's even true with the local police. The Black and Whites are officially in town!!

Talk about taking me back to my youth. Just one look at the new O.P.P. car and I feel young again. Not that I ever sat in the back of one - not me - but you couldn't miss them, and that is one reason why the O.P.P. are bringing them back.

New vehicles are assigned as the kilometres reach a certain limit and just recently an old car was retired giving us here our first new (but retro) black and white. Mark McMaster of the local O.P.P.

dropped by with the new car and

he mentioned that they are a conversation piece for many, but for the youth of the area it's a new thing.

"They don't remember back when there were black and white police cars like we do," he says. "To them, it's all new."

As for the new black and whites, "or Holsteins" as they are nicknamed by some, ... "it's the new (old) look for the OPP and some day, all the cars will be that way again. Apparently there was a study done that concluded that the black and whites were a real head turner (no kidding) and are easier to see. The traditional looking b&w's were phased out in the late 80's and most were replaced with just a white car. Within 2 1/2 years, all OPP cruisers will take on the new look. And Mark says the new cars have some pretty fancy lights and a few toys. Hopefully you only see one as it's passing by and not from the back seat - apparently there isn't a lot of leg room back there!!



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Newfangers Art Festival a Riveting Success

by Tyson Farrell

Earlier this month, a field down Horseshoe Lake Road played host to the Newfangers Art Festival. The event was designed to feature the work of

students, youth, and emerging artists. In this aspect it was certainly a success. More than thirty young artists from across the county and province gathered to display their work. Underneath what appeared to be a giant wedding tent, dozens of tables displayed hundreds of pieces of artwork.

When examining the art, many visitors were amazed that it was created by people so young. "I saw a display of blown glass and was amazed by the quality of workmanship. 'Now this is the work of a seasoned artist,' I thought to myself. When I discovered that the artist was a young man, I was amazed," said Ryan Angel of Toronto.

There were many different forms of art that impressed visitors. Away from the art tent, up a hill and across a field, performances took place. Surrounded by a ring of stone fencing, spectators sat on logs to watch dramatic presentations. One of the most popular skits was performed by local actors Dave Morgan and Mark Johnston. The two boys played office workers in a Lord of the Flies scenario. With torn shirts and blood stained clothes, the actors delivered a stunningly dramatic commentary of human nature. Another spectacular piece of drama, which also focused on human nature, was written by local wordsmith Ryan Dawson. Using characters loosely based on Hindu mythology, Dawson argued that humans are naturally good, and not evil. The performance included sections of drums and symbols which echoed eerily from the surrounding forest, greatly increasing the theatric ambience.

Aside from theatrical works, the Newfangers Art Festival hosted other unusual performances. A boy could be seen riding a unicycle while juggling at the same time. The feat was all the more impressive due to the uneven terrain. Even more exotic perhaps was the young flame dancer, who dazzled audiences with his hot skills. Another interesting exhibit was referred to as the "Poet-tree." Removed from the rest of the art festival, alone in the field, was an apple tree. From its branches hung two pairs of headphones and a microphone. Visitors could put on the headphones and speak into the microphone, which recorded their words. Throughout the day, a

computer compiled all of the different recordings and continuously rearranged them and put them to music. Thus, when people stood beneath the tree with the headphones on they heard a collaborative poetry of sorts.

"I've visited the Highlands for years," spoke one woman. "I've gone to all the art shows and studio tours, but I've never seen anything quite like this. I came expecting to see paintings, and photographs, and so on. I was pleasantly surprised when I was greeted by not only these things, but by skits, performances, and all sorts of unusual stuff. What surprised me even more though was when I learned that all of the art here was created by such young men and women."

"I think that this art show is the type of thing that Haliburton County needs. I am a big fan and supporter of local art. I think its great, but I also think that there is room for some improvement. It's been said that the Haliburton art scene plays it safe, and I believe that this is partially true. It seems almost as though it is dominated by paintings of landscapes and other traditional things. If art in the Highlands is to continue being successful in the future, it needs to take some risks, and do some different and unique things. To me, its looks like that is what Newfangers is trying to do, and that is a very encouraging sight," said Elaine MacGillvray of Kennisis Lake.

There is no doubt that the youth of the Newfangers displayed a strange variety of art, but that was in keeping with the Festival's theme. The word "Newfangled" means something that is strange, bizarre, unique, and unknown. This is what the Newfangers coordinators wanted to show to be. "We wanted to have an art show that was different from all the others in the Highlands," spoke Newfangers Coordinator Tiffany Howe. "We're young and new artists, so we wanted to do something new. Newfangers was designed to be a catalyst for change within the art community: a way to bring new artists and new art into Highlands."

The art festival was lucky enough to have a weekend of beautiful weather. Under a clear blue sky, hundreds of people came to Newfangers. Many pieces of art were sold, and many young artists began to gain the recognition that they deserve. It is imperative that the young artists of the Highlands continue to be encouraged and supported, for they are the future of local art. Therefore, let us hope that the Newfangers Art Festival was enough of a success that it will become an annual event.



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We have recently received our new 2008 wall calendars, desk calendars, and 2008-2009 pocket calendars. They are going fast and supplies are limited, so shop early for best selection.

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Lafleur's Country Catering

Spotlight

On Business

by George Farrell

Pastime Becomes Career

It's always fun when a pastime can become career and that is what happened with Alisha Lafleur of Minden thanks to a suggestion by a family friend.

Alisha is a Highlands girl who attended Archie Stouffer public school and HHHS. Upon graduation from high school she went to Humber College to attend the Recreational and Leisure Services course, with the hopes of becoming a recreational co-ordinator. She did in fact attain that goal, when she became the Recreational Co-ordinator for the Township of Algonquin Highlands. It was during that tenure that she wrote columns and press releases to local media.

Alisha is married to Alain Lafleur, and like many young people, the couple moved to the "Big Smoke" to seek their fortunes. And like many before them they realized that Toronto's not all it's cracked up to be. After eighteen months, the couple moved back to the Minden area, when it was discovered that Alisha was pregnant with their first child Jocelyne, now nineteen months old.

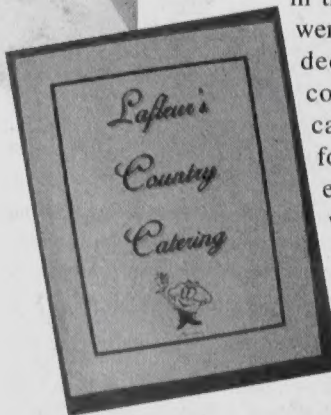
The Lafleur catering business was started in December of 2006, and Alisha is the sole owner, though she's quick to point out that she has lots of assistance from aunt Maggie Dunlop and uncle Steve Stevens. "We've all had a lot of experience cooking for a large family," Alisha says. "My aunt and uncle have both cooked



at the Kinark Outdoor Centre." Alisha has also cooked there, and she has restaurant experience working part time at Dixie Lee, in Minden.

As so often happens ideas are solidified only when someone else makes the suggestion. The idea of getting into the catering business was "originally suggested to us by family member Jamie Bacon," Alisha states. "He thought that we would be well suited to the business due to our collective experience with cooking. Our family had thought about it before. We had a caterer for our wedding," Alisha recalls, "and I kept thinking how I would do things differently."

"We looked in the yellow pages to look up caterers in the area, and we found that there weren't a lot of them," she says. "We decided that we could offer the community a service of country catering, featuring good country food—nothing fancy, and not overly expensive." A quick perusal of the web site reveals appetizers and hors d'oeuvres, breads and rolls, home style country soups, salads, meat entrees, alternative entrees,



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vegetables and potatoes, deserts and platters. Sounds delicious.

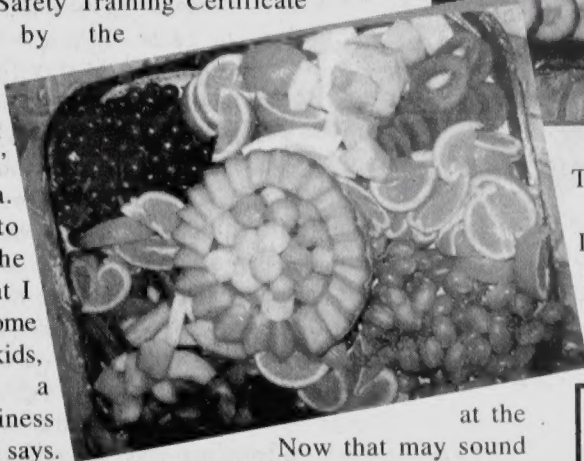
"In April we did a birthday party for 100 people," says Alisha, with justifiable pride, "and we've just done a wedding for another 100 people. I'm hoping to get some other weddings and Christmas and office parties, later in the year. We're also going in the direction of kids events and birthday parties, and we'll do anything from office-meeting platters to big weddings, hot or cold plates."

"All of the people who are cooks in our business have the Food And Safety Training Certificate administered by the

Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit," assures Alisha. "We'd like to develop the business so that I could be an at-home mom with my kids, and have a successful business same time," she says.

Now that may sound like asking a lot, but she seems to know where she's going with her new business, and like many a new enterprise in these parts, it's a family affair, so she has support.

Alisha is depending quite a bit on word of mouth to get news of the business out there. "We've already done a couple of larger events, and word spreads," she has determined. "I can foresee things getting busier, but we'd like to keep it on the small side for now-more personal." This no-hurry attitude might have something to do with the fact that Alisha is expecting the arrival of a second child some time in early February. "Once the baby comes I'll have to cut back my own involvement a bit," she understates, "but it won't interfere with the catering business because the family is there to pick up the slack. Next summer when the new baby and Jocelyne are a bit older, word will have spread, and I can get back



into it again. There's basically no hurry for it to take off. As it comes is fine for me, but I really appreciate the Communicator doing this story."

And with that the interview is over, and Alisha Lafleur gets ready for her photo session. Ah, the joys of being part of a large family. What's the expression? "Those that stick together make it together."

Lafleur's Country Catering may be just the change you've been looking for, for your next committee meeting, party, or important event. For more information on Lafleur's Country Catering call Alisha Lafleur at (705) 286-2783 or info@lafleurstcountrycatering.com

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Pictured: Alisha Lafleur and some examples of food platters; and front page from the menu.

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Marriage in Ingoldsby for RCR Soldier Ryan Ladurantaye Home from The Wars

By Terrance Gavan

It's a long way from the driver's side of a Canadian Forces LAV III doing patrols along the dusty and dangerous corridors outside Kandahar, Afghanistan to Ingoldsby Junction, Ontario.

Corporal Ryan Ladurantaye, a LAV III driver for 2 RCR (Royal Canadian Regiment based in Gagetown, Nova Scotia) Hotel Company, could probably give you a pretty good estimate in miles.

But after two tours in Afghanistan, he is probably better-equipped to outline the philosophical distance between the two places.

Back in April, Ladurantaye's Hotel Company lost 6 comrades in a fatal explosion that destroyed the LAV III they were riding in.

Ryan's head shakes slowly at the memory. "We lost six guys that day... all guys that we knew."

It's a tragedy that serves as a reminder. A reminder to all of us about the precarious nature of our time here on earth.

For Cpl. Ladurantaye it's a reminder that the life he has chosen, while rewarding, is also a life rife with concealed and sometimes overt danger.

"What you have to realize is that what happened to those six guys could happen again at any time," says Ladurantaye.

During that fateful operation Hotel company began work early on a Friday morning by escorting a convoy of dozens of American and Afghan vehicles that were traveling from Kandahar Airfield towards Sangin District Centre in Helmand Province.

On the night before that mission, the officer commanding Hotel company made clear he was acutely aware of the dangers of

Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) along the way, and of the possible consequences.

"The largest danger that we face - and it's really throughout the whole area of operations - is the mine and potential IED threat," Maj. Alex Ruff later explained.

"When you are moving with such a large force in convoys, and once the insurgents or Taliban figure out where you are going, the ground provides choke points in certain locations and that's when they try to get out ahead of us and either mine

it or IED it so when we go through we will take casualties," he added frankly. "That's the largest threat."

Cpl. Ladurantaye is well aware of the procedure and says that he was involved in the same type of operations in that same area. According to Ladurantaye it's a war that remains frustrating to the peacekeepers and combat troops.

"It's guerilla action and we very rarely get to actually engage the threat," explains Ladurantaye. Instead, the enemy is becoming increasingly reliant on the use of deadly force via improvised explosive devices.

The LAV III is a light armored vehicle and as the IED's get more and more sophisticated and powerful, I LAV III's become increasingly susceptible to the fatal attacks.

As a LAV III driver Ladurantaye says that he has to pay particular and close attention to the terrain and the population around him.

"You have to be very aware of what's going on around you," says Ladurantaye. And paradoxically, explains Ladurantaye, that means not identifying everyone or everything as a potential threat.

"Most of the Afghans we deal with on a daily basis are not terrorists or bombers," says Ladurantaye. "The main thing we have to remember as peacekeepers is that not everyone who





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A Soldier's Story....

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approaches is the enemy. We have to be very conscious of those that aren't"

He explains that he and his comrades are mainly looking for "things that don't look right."

He adds that the Afghans are "a people that don't like to be controlled." According to Ladurantaye, the Canadians, British and Americans are there to assist in developing a self-sustaining police and military presence.

"We did the whole spectrum of patrols. We provided supplies and we saw combat from time to time," says Ladurantaye. "But, mainly our job was to liaise with the ANP (Afghan National Police) and the ANA (Afghan National Army) and to assist them."

He adds that the ultimate goal is to let the police and military undertake the job of policing and reducing the Taliban threat.

"We have to realize that we're just there to help, until they can work things out on their own," says Ladurantaye.

Until that time, Ladurantaye and his 2 RCR Battalion along with the rest of the Canadian military will be on call.

But last weekend Cpl. Ladurantaye was called home for some different, more pleasant duties.

On Saturday, August 25, Ryan and fiancée Angela Dainard welcomed about 100 guests for their wedding in a ceremony at the Ladurantaye farmstead in Ingoldsby.

Angela was born in Picton, Ontario but later moved to Nova Scotia. They met in Nova Scotia and will be heading back to Gagetown after the wedding.

Thankfully his regiment will probably not see an overseas posting for a while and the couple will have time to settle into married life back in Gagetown.

But first they have a honeymoon planned for the Mayan Riviera.

"We've heard a lot of nice things about it," says Ryan. "It's supposed to be very beautiful."

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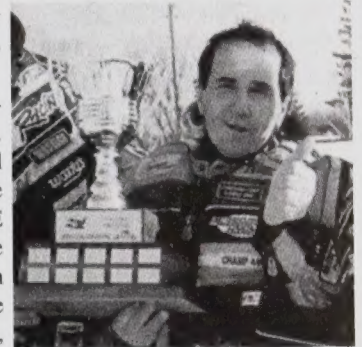
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Guess who knows NOTHING about racing...?

The cats out of the bag... the editor of The Communicator knows nothing about racing, and now everyone who read the last issue of The Communicator knows it. Yep, it was me, Joanne Irvine, who nabbed the wrong picture of Jaques Villeneuve to go with Terrance Gavan's awesome exclusive phone interview story of Jaques Villeneuve Sr. I accidentally grabbed pictures of his famous newfew Jaques Villeneuve Jr. It is actually 'uncle' Jaques - senior not junior - that is coming to Haliburton.

Now that being said, this is still extremely exciting news for the area. Jaques Villeneuve Sr. is a wonderful man and very famous in the snowmobile racing circuit and HE IS coming to Haliburton. I apologize if my mistake caused any confusion among race fans and I definitely have some explaining to do to Jaques Sr., but I definitely look forward to apologizing to him upon his arrival in March Of 2008 when he races in the much anticipated Highland Cup. Here are pictures of Jaques Villeneuve Sr.



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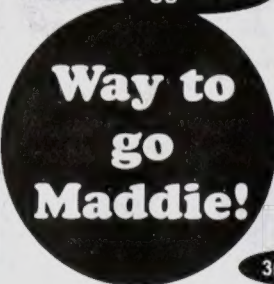
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Most weight (22.8 lbs) went to Maddie Robinson & Chris Roche, who won the grand prize of a Napoleon BBQ donated by Minden Home Hardware. Maddie also landed a Small Mouth Bass at 6.5 lbs. and took home a brand new bicycle donated by Dave Shaw for biggest fish (Junior)- not bad for a day of fishing huh?

2nd place (19.9 lbs) went to Sean Ramsten & Patrick Goode.

3rd place went to Mark & Alex McMaster (16.9 lbs).

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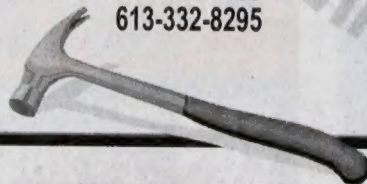
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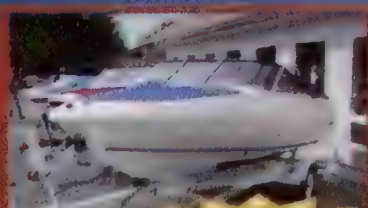
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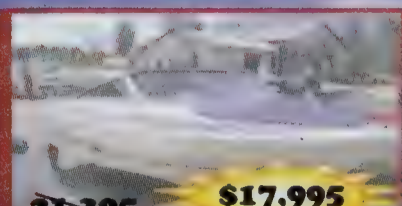
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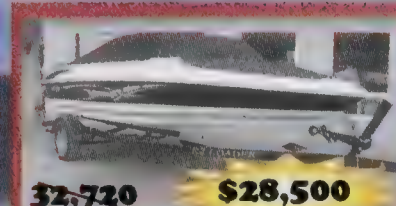
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School Bus Safety: Excellent Tips From A School Bus Driver

by Lynne Kilby

As a veteran school bus driver of more than twenty years safety is my always my first priority and can never be stressed enough. Over the years I have found the biggest topic parents discuss with me is the seatbelt issue. Staying seated is definitely one of my biggest concerns too. I always say "The Wheels on the Bus Song" needs one more verse.... the driver on the bus says "Stay sitting down, stay sitting down, stay sitting down." I tell my kids to sit "as if they are wearing a seatbelt." Should an accident occur, sitting properly in their seat is a child's best protection.

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Transport Canada also found the use of seatbelts on school buses did not increase safety but rather the opposite, increasing potential for more severe head and neck injuries and other safety trade offs.

Here are some safety tips from the Ontario Ministry of Transportation for school bus riders and their parents/caregivers to review. <http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/safety/schoolbus/schoolbus.htm>

Stay safe and have a happy school year!

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If you cross the street to get on the bus: when the bus comes, wait until it has come to a complete stop. The bus driver will make sure all the traffic stops. The stop arm will be out and the red lights will be flashing. Watch the driver. When the driver knows it is safe, he or she will signal you to cross, but watch for traffic yourself. Walk, don't run.

Hold the hand rail as you get on the bus. Don't push or shove.

Rules for Safe School Bus Riding:

Take your seat promptly and sit properly, facing forward at all times.

Hold bags and parcels in your lap. Do not stick your feet into the aisle: someone might trip

Keep your head and arms-everything-inside the bus. Don't throw anything out the windows or around in the bus.

Talk quietly. The driver must concentrate to drive the bus safely.

Save snacks for snack time at school or till you get home. They may spill or you may choke if the bus goes over a big bump.

No fighting, shouting or playing in or around the bus.

Always follow the bus driver's instructions.

Rules for leaving the bus safely:

When you leave the bus, hold the handrail and take two large steps away from the bus.

To cross the street in front of the bus, walk ahead at least ten giant steps (three meters). Cross only when the driver gives a signal. Cross the street in single file.

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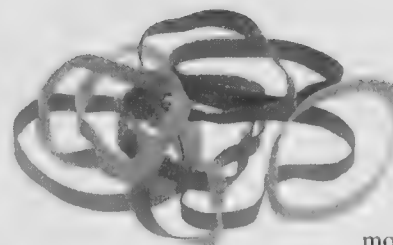
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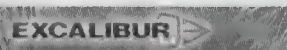
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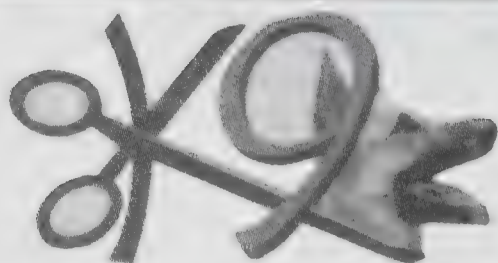
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Minden Community Forum Announcement: Next Forum Scheduled for September 12th

The following announcement will be of interest to all residents in Ontario who want to ensure that we have the best representation in our government.

The Minden Community Forum has held three very successful Forums which focused on different topics of importance to our community. If you missed those Forums, be sure not to miss our fourth Forum on Wednesday September 12th, the topic being "Electoral Reform In Ontario".

Did you know that in our October 10th Ontario Provincial election we will not only be asked to vote for the candidate of our choice, but also vote on a Referendum for Ontario to adopt the "Mixed Member Proportional" system recommended by the Citizens' Assembly. The decision will be ours! This is a big step

towards improving our representation at Queen's Park. Do you know enough about this issue to properly cast your vote? The Minden Community Forum will provide an ideal opportunity for you to be informed on this topic and participate in our non-adversarial Forum based on communication, cooperation and understanding.

Topic is "Electoral Reform in Ontario"

Ontario's current voting system almost always gives one party far more power than it deserves. With less than 50% of the popular vote, a party might end up with a clear majority of seats

which gives its leaders 100% of the power. You might avoid voting for the best local candidate because you couldn't support their party. Because of this and other shortcomings of our system, the Ontario government authorized creation of a randomly chosen "Citizens' Assembly On Electoral Reform" to make recommendations on the best voting system for Ontario, and after seven months of study, they recommended Ontario adopt a "Mixed Member Proportional" voting system which results in representation that more closely reflects the popular vote.

Come out to this fourth in a series of "Minden Community Forums" on Wednesday September 12th at Minden United Church at 7:30 P.M. Presentations will be made by Marie McClaren, our Haliburton Representative on *The Ontario Citizens' Assembly* which recommended this new system, and by Jim Milne, our Haliburton representative on *Fair Vote Canada* who will present pros and cons of the system.

Cottagers and residents, let's keep the feeling of "community" in Minden strong, and get back "in the know" by attending this and future forums.

Hear their vision and ask your questions at the "Minden Community Forum" on Wednesday September 12th at 7:30 P.M. at Minden United Church, 21 Newcastle Street in Minden. Baby-sitting is provided.

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For more information you can contact Don Ballantyne at 286-1305.

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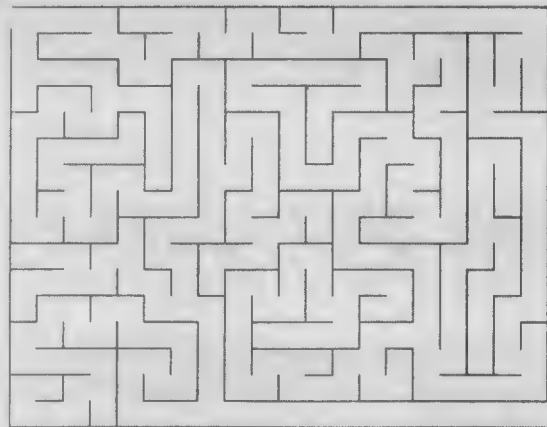
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World Junior Medallists Spread the Word to Young Toronto Nationals

Cogliano and Bolland Make Appearance in Minden

By Terrance Gavan

Not often do young skaters get to scrape along the same ice with their heroes.

Last Monday (August 20), members of the Toronto Nationals 13 year old minor bantam team had an opportunity to do just that when they took to the Minden Arena ice with World Junior Gold Medallists Andrew Cogliano and Dave Bolland.

Cogliano, a two-time World Junior Gold Medallist in 2006 and 2007 and Bolland, who won Gold with Canada in 2006 and a Memorial Cup with the London Knights in 2005 also made an appearance at the training camp kick-off BBQ last Sunday, August 19 held at the Lewis family cottage on Horseshoe Lake Road just outside of Minden.

The Lewis family has a son playing for the Nationals and they graciously opened the doors of their cottage and 50-plus acre compound for the weeklong training camp.

Bolland, a member of the Chicago Blackhawks and Cogliano, who inked a three-year deal with the Edmonton Oilers in May of this year are both represented by MFive Sports. MFive's Director of Recruitment Paul Capizzano used to play with the Toronto Nationals and he was mainly responsible for getting the two rising young NHL prospects out to the Nationals training camp.

"It's nice to see two young guys who are willing to come out and give something back," said the affable Cappizzano, who was on hand at the Sunday afternoon meet-and-greet BBQ with MFive Co-Director Anton Thun. Capizzano, or Cappy as he is known in Eastern Canada hockey circles, currently represents several of today's top young players in the OHL. His background has also allowed him to build strong relationships with many university and college hockey coaches and assistant coaches.

Cappy made sure that Bolland and Cogliano, MFive clients, arrived at the event armed with a veritable barrage of gold medals, jerseys, rings and other paraphernalia from the Junior Championships and Memorial Cup. Also on hand was Stan Butler, head coach of The OHL's Brampton Battalion and former Canadian Junior team head coach in 2001 and 2002.

The adorned table of medals was a popular stopping place for the young Toronto National players and each managed to have a salvo of photographs taken holding medals and schmoozing with Cogliano and Bolland. Team pictures, resplendent with new jerseys, were also taken, with Cogliano and Bolland forming the bookends to the team photos.

Tom Graham is the head coach of the young Toronto Nationals and he allowed that having access to such a marvelous training compound, the Minden Ice for early morning skates and the opportunity to see the two rising NHL prospects in person will go a long way to pouring some cement on this young and talented group of 13 year-olds.

"We finished fifth in the league last year and won our first playoff series, but I think we have a chance to challenge for first place this year," said Graham. He's also hoping that some of the gold dust laid out on the medal table will rub off on his young protégés.

Graham, along with assistant coaches Kevin Gomes and Tony Noce planned to conduct the skating portion of the camp from Monday to Friday (August 20-24) at Minden Arena. The 7 am to 9 am skating sessions were followed by dryland sessions at the Lewis compound.

After that the kids got to be kids. And how. The Lewis cottage comes replete with water trampoline, several SeaDoos, a couple of other watercraft, beach volleyball and several all-terrain vehicles. Not quite Disneyland but certainly close enough for cottage country. And a great place to retreat from the rigors of dreaded dryland training.

The Monday morning skate with Cogliano and Bolland drew a big crowd of local hockey youngsters from Minden Hills and the surrounding area.

Both Cogliano and Bolland were gracious with their time, offering numerous photo and autograph opportunities for the crowd of young fans.

Personal trainer Brad Wheeler, who worked with Haliburton prodigy Cody Hodgson among other OHL players this summer, was on hand to flip burgers on Sunday. Wheeler has become well known in OHL circles for his astute on-ice work with prospective OHL and young NHL prospects. He also works with younger talent and will be assisting Graham, Noce and Gomes with the skating drills and on-ice portion of the camp.

"It's a great chance for these young players to meet some really special guys like Andy and Dave," said Wheeler, while simultaneously flipping burgers and setting off smoke alarms. He found time to needle another prodigious Haliburton talent Matt Duchene who was also on hand at the barbecue. Duchene recently signed on to play under Butler and with Hodgson for the Brampton Battalion this season. (See accompanying story on Matt)

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The Haliburton Highlands Heritage Dream Quilt

by George Farrell

Susan Sheehan and Sharon Middlehurst are two energetic and caring Highlands women. Both are members of the Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild. Sharon is the Vice President of the Guild, and project manager of the Dream Quilt project. Susan is the promo' and advertising manager of the Dream Quilt initiative. What is the Dream Quilt, and what's it all about?

Well, let's start at the beginning. Sharon, some time ago, inherited a quilt from her grandmother. The quilt features hundreds of names of people and organizations that have been hand-embroidered onto its surface. It was made by members of the Whitfield Anglican Church Guild of Dufferin County, some time before 1940. Some of the prominent names featured on the quilt are Agness McPhail, who was a famous suffragette and the first woman in Canada elected to the House of Commons, former Premier of Ontario Mitch Hepburn, and the Honorable Earl Rowe, who later was to become a Lieutenant Governor of Ontario.



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Now, that quilt is quite historically significant. However, as Sharon says, "those names on the quilt who aren't well know, and their stories, are lost in time."

A death in her family left a vacuum for Sharon, and she was looking for ways to fill that vacuum and a way by which to commemorate and remember her lost relative. Thinking about her own loss led Sharon to think about the stories behind the names on the quilt her grandmother gave her, and that in turn led her to thinking about making a heritage quilt for Haliburton County. Unlike the old quilt however Sharon decided that the new quilt would be accompanied by a commemorative album, which would give a short history of the person. If she had left it at that it would have been a nice idea that added something to the fabric of our local culture, but perhaps not a great deal more than that. But Sharon, who also does some volunteer work for Cottage

Dreams, didn't leave it at that. Cottage Dreams is a registered charity that seeks to find cottage owners who are willing to lend their cottages, for a period of time, to Cancer survivors. Sharon had the bright idea to link her work at Cottage Dreams with the quilt, and hence the name Dream Quilt.

The concept is this. For a minimum of \$15 per person, or \$25 for a business, a name will be embroidered on the quilt, with all the money going directly to Cottage Dreams. Those people or organizations donating over \$20 will be issued a tax receipt from Cottage Dreams. Recognizing that she would need help with her project Sharon enlisted her friend Susan, and they started to raise funds in March of this year. To date they have raised over \$9,000 dollars, which represents a total of over 400 names to be embroidered.

The finished quilt will be unveiled at the Heart of the Highlands Quilt Show put on by the Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild. The event will be held at the Minden Curling Club in July of 2008, so keep an eye out for the exact date. After the unveiling the quilt will be donated to the Agnes Jamieson Gallery.

"People who would like their name on the quilt are not required to be residents of the county," says Susan, "but just to have some connection with our area. We feel that this is an important project because not only is it historic but it's also supporting a very worthy cause. Some people might like to donate names and biographies on behalf of loved ones or friends, and it makes for a great Christmas gift," she brightly injects, not missing the opportunity to promote the project. "We've learned so much about our county, and some of the people," continues Sharon, "and what brought them here."

The cut-off date for name submissions and donations is December 15, but Susan and Sharon would like to receive names and personal bio's as soon as possible because, as Sharon says, "there's quite a lot of tweaking to be done with the layout." Then of course the quilt, designed by Guild member Dale Jewett, has to be constructed.

If you would like your name, or business name, or the name of a friend on the Dream Quilt, submission forms can be found on the Cottage Dreams website www.cottagedreams.org

If you would like your form mailed to you, contact Susan Sheehan at 286-3475 or Sharon Middlehurst at 286-1531.

Pictured: Sharon Middlehurst and Susan Sheehan lean over the original signature quilt. The design of the Dream Quilt can be seen between the two.

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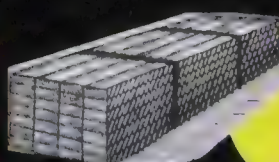
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"I got burgers for Stan," shouts Wheeler, "Stan's my favorite guy... Matt get in here and grab a burger, you're playing for Stan." Duchene will be heading off to his new high school and Battalion training camp this week and was also pretty stoked to be included in the festivities. At 16, Duchene is just another one of those nice young hockey talents with a self-effacing demeanor and solid attitude that belies his young age.

Graham said that seeing guys like Cogliano and Bolland with their medals and being able to skate with them is an invaluable experience. He says that he's using this camp to forge some relationships and develop a sense of team unity and pride.

"These kids are all hockey and they spend a lot of time on the ice all summer," said Graham. "So this opportunity to spend two hours on the ice for five days in Minden and then a couple more hours of dryland here at the cottage will create some team bonding."

Graham says that the essence of success during the highly competitive minor bantam schedule rests with talent, but that the ability to leave egos on the doorstep essentially plays a pivotal role in the success of any team.

That point was, interestingly enough, seconded by Cogliano in a later interview (see accompanying article) who said that the hallmark of his

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two Junior Championship teams that won world gold was not an abundance of superstar talent but rather an agglomeration of situational players who fit into a system.

"Interesting, that on those two teams, they were great teams but not a lot of superstars," said Cogliano. "They were just good solid teams and everybody had a role."

Bolland said that team building is a key factor, especially in the dog days earmarking the end of a long season.

"I think I'm here because I know my role and know what I can do to contribute," said Bolland, who is known for his two-way play and feisty approach to the game.

"I also know that I'm pretty lucky to be here," says Bolland.

In this era, where a lot of pampered athletes grow up with a loosely-skewed set of ethics and a penchant for overindulgence in risky ventures it's nice to run into a pair of young players who definitely have their heads and hearts in the right place.



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Wilberforce member Brenda Harvey has been doing Taoist Tai Chi taijiquan for three years now. She says that she “started because I needed to learn to relax - my shoulders were always up around my ears, and my shoulders and neck used to ache all the time. With doing Taoist Tai Chi that problem has completely gone. It has definitely helped with relaxation.”

Harvey adds, “I’ve also found that my flexibility has improved, as has my balance. And as a bonus, I’ve met a lot of really nice people, too.”

The Taoist Tai Chi ® internal art of taijiquan was introduced to western society by Master Moy Lin-shin in 1970. It was designed to promote and restore health through 108 movements of the Taoist Tai Chi ® set and associated

foundation exercises. The flowing movements of the set increase strength and flexibility and improve balance and circulation.

It takes about four months to learn the basic moves, but a lifetime to perfect the entire set.

Practising taijiquan brings into play every part of the body and improves the health of all body systems. It strengthens the heart and lungs, improves the digestion, helps purify the blood, and strengthens bones.

Many have found the massage-like movements of Taoist Tai Chi internal arts and methods to be an effective therapy for a wide range of health problems, including headaches, high blood pressure, arthritis, back pain, breathing difficulties, digestive and nervous disorder and others.

Minden member Jean Bolt, diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis, is thankful for Taoist Tai Chi internal arts and methods. Here’s what she has to say: “When I was first diagnosed, I went on prescribed drugs but found that I wasn’t able to take them. When I asked the doctor how long I had to stay on painkillers, he said it would be for life.”

“That just wasn’t good enough”, says Bolt, “so when a friend told me it might help, I signed up for a Taoist Tai Chi class. When I first started I hurt more; however I persevered. After a few lessons I realized I was feeling better. I talked with my doctor and told him that the painkillers weren’t working, so I stopped taking them and continued with Taoist Tai Chi. Now I am completely drug free! I don’t even take an aspirin!”

“If I go to Taoist Tai Chi classes twice a week, I maintain my health. If I go three times a week, I improve. It’s all up to me. I will always be thankful for all that Taoist Tai Chi has taught me. Not only did it improve my health, but it also changed my whole outlook on life.”

“I encourage anyone with arthritis to try the powerful prescription of Taoist Tai Chi,” says Bolt enthusiastically. “It can renew your health, without any dangerous side effects.”

There will be introductions to Taoist Tai Chi ® internal arts and methods in September, in Wilberforce, Haliburton and Minden. These will include demonstrations, discussions of the health benefits of Taoist Tai Chi ® internal arts and methods, and a chance to try some of the moves. Please see the ad in this paper for exact times and places.



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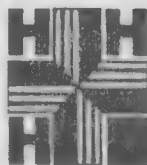
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CNIB canvassers can be identified by their official blue and white CNIB volunteer buttons, and will be knocking on doors throughout Haliburton County.

Two hours of your time could make a HUGE difference to our campaign! Register today to canvass your street and help bring vision health and hope to people in your community. A Team Captain is urgently needed for the village of Haliburton. The workload is not extensive but the role is extremely important to a successful

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Whitepath's motto is connecting the disconnected and they try to fill gaps in services, and most of the services they do are free. Whitepath tries to meet the needs of every single person who walks through the doors no matter what their situation. They find that they get a lot of people whose needs can't be met elsewhere due to long waiting lists at other agencies. The need for services has outgrown the services currently available in this area. Whitepath believes that the gaps in some services could be filled by opening an adult training centre.

Whitepath is currently fundraising to open a large training centre in Peterborough that would assist those who are homeless, living in poverty and facing addictions.

The Academies Performing

There will be a fundraising event at Showplace Performance Centre on September 7, 2007, show starts at 7 pm and doors open at 6:30pm. The ladies are breaking out the costumes and are coming back to the stage one last time...the best of the best have been called back for an Academy Reunion.

When: Friday September 7, 2007

Where: Showplace Performance Centre

Time: 7:00 pm (doors open at 6:30 pm)

Cost: \$50.00 (charitable tax receipt available upon request)

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The Academies originated 30 years ago by a group of nurses who fundraised for various charities. The acts will include Ike & Tina Turner, Liza Minelli, Joan Jett, Hank Williams, Kid Rock & Sheryl Crow, Dolly Parton, Milli Vanilli, Patsy Cline, Ray Stevens and more...

For more information about her services or the upcoming fundraising event, you may contact Cynthia at: cynthia.whitepath@bellnet.ca - or visit the website at: www.whitepathconsulting.com or call 705-740-2036

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New Book Release: Meet The Author September 9 at the Rails End Gallery

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As reported in the last issue of The Highlands Communicator in an in-depth feature on Sarah Levis, Sarah is releasing her first published book: a collection of strong essays revealing a profound understanding of life for her twenty-nine years. These essays pull the reader into the complexity and endurance of a young woman shockingly interrupted in her young plans by a birth defect no one could have known she had: at 22, Sarah suffered two strokes that changed her entire life.



Sometimes Sarah tells her experience with humor and simplicity, sometimes with a poignance that twists the reader's heart. There is no self-pity or emotional play here; Sarah's gift is simple truth, and an engagement with life that is deeper than many who have had no similar challenge. The essays are not only a joy to read, but a glimpse into the heart of life itself, expressed in Sarah's eloquent, poetic prose.

Please join Sarah and the members of the Algonquin Highlands Writers' Circle for the celebratory launch of Run, Run Because You Can, on Sunday, September 9, at 2pm at the Rails End Gallery in Haliburton.



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That's Life...

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Think Like A Woman

A woman was walking down the street when she was accosted by a particularly dirty and shabby-looking homeless woman who asked her for a couple of dollars for dinner. The woman took out her bill fold, extracted ten dollars and asked, "If I give you this money, will you buy some wine with it instead of dinner?"

"No," I had to stop drinking years ago, the homeless woman replied.

"Will you use it to go shopping instead of buying food?" the woman asked

"No," I don't waste time shopping, the homeless woman

said. "I need to spend all my time trying to stay alive."

"Will you spend this on a beauty salon instead of food?" the woman asked.

"Are you NUTS!" replied the homeless woman. "I haven't had my hair done in 20 years!"

"Well," said the woman, "I'm not going to give you the money. Instead, I'm going to take you out for dinner with my hubby and myself tonight."

The homeless Woman was astounded. "Won't your husband be furious with you for doing that? I know I'm dirty, and I probably smell pretty disgusting."

The woman replied, "That's okay. It's important for him to see what a woman looks like after she has given up shopping, hair appointments and wine."



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Spot the Difference Answers

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IN THE LOCKER ROOM

By Terrance Gavan

News flash. Michael Vick jerseys along with hefty monetary donations have been arriving at Atlanta area animal shelters. People are sending discarded jerseys and money in an effort to express their disdain for the actions of the big bum and former Atlanta Falcon QB. The shelters are shredding the jerseys and using them for animal bedding.

Nice touch Atlanta.

Let's start by saying that this whole sordid affair involving Michael Vick, erstwhile Atlanta millionaire-turned-felon sickens me to my core.

Last week we learned that Vick, recently abandoned by his posse of dog killers, will accept a plea bargain and plead guilty to various felony offenses in federal court.

So far we have not detected a hint of remorse emanating from Vick's circled wagons. He hasn't even apologized to owner Arthur

Dogs We Love and the DOG We Don't Michael Vick Jerseys Going to Shelter

Blank, the guy who at one time was paying 130 million large for his services.

We will apparently learn, when he cops to the whole sordid affair, that not only did Vick participate in dogfighting, but that he was an instrumental component in the destruction of dogs which were deemed unacceptable in the ring.

We have heard that Vick and his cronies variously drowned, bashed and electrocuted poor-performing Pit Bulls.

Hey Mikey, remember that ugly two fumble, four pick game you had last year against the Titans? Guess what my big dawg; terrible game; *verrrry* unacceptable performance.

Your turn in the drowning pool? Hah. I have a few friends from PETA who would love to oversee the punishment.

I'm one of the lucky ones. When I hear yet another revelation about Vick's reprehensible and sickening behavior I get to go home and hug my dog. Billie Jean is a Labradollie; part Lab and part Border Collie.

When I arrive home she is invariably happy to see me. Unless of course she is under the couch and suffering from the embarrassment of chewing through a CD case and grinding a favorite old George Benson CD into incomprehensible gibberish.

This no longer elicits an angry shout. I used to try to reason with her. "Now Billie, this isn't good," I would say. "That's why we leave all these bones and chewy things out for you, so you don't have to chew up the lovely Mr. Benson."

I now realize that she feels bad enough already; hence the peek from under the couch.

I have been Vick-anized. I find that after being subjected to the dirty little secrets oozing from the Vick outhouse, I no longer want to impart any residual remorse or pain on Billie Jean, who probably just has a few issues with Mr. Benson's overlong solos.



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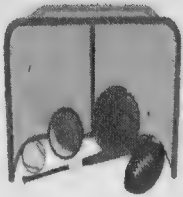
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In The Locker Room cont'd...

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"Yes, very nice riff Mr. Benson, but can we cut this song short at 14 minutes? Please?"

Now, I simply call her name and hand her a pork rind treat and give her a pat on the head. Within two milliseconds she has forgotten all about her remorse over George's recent demise and is already at the door.

Billie and I then head out to the back forty. We have 17 frisbees, in various states of chew, scattered all over the yard. I work all day in an airplane shop and I have come to realize that not one of her Frisbees boasts a leading edge that would pass muster on a Transport Canada inspection.

Billie could care less. She lives for the wobble in the bobble.

The highlight of my day comes when I finally distract her from the pile of deer droppings and get her involved in her favorite game.

Have you ever seen a puppy so enamored of the flight of a Frisbee that she literally seems to be treading water through the air? I have.

Nothing compares to the pure joy of a happy dog in pursuit of fun. Billie Jean needs nothing more than a pat and a "good catch darlin'" to assume the Frisbee position. Stare concise and metallic, haunches primed and tail wagging in anticipation.

As she rises and twists for the score her contorted figure assumes an aerial loquacity that I can't quite explain. Sheer joy. And it always comes back. But not always given without some prodding. We have that leading edge to work on remember?

My day could be a shambles, but after that first throw I am transported to dog heaven. My troubles floating away in streams behind that beautifully contorted flight path.

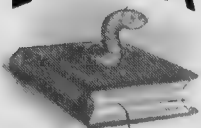
I feel sorry for creeps like Vick and his ilk. People who can't appreciate the simple fact that a dog, raised and nurtured in love can provide an owner with an unrivalled happiness and pure joy.

Oh, and good job Atlanta on those jerseys. Keep those Number 7 jerseys coming to shelters across the land.

Nothing shows disdain quite like a little drivel of piddle placed on the appropriate marquis.

"Good girl... good boy! For *that* we get a treat!"

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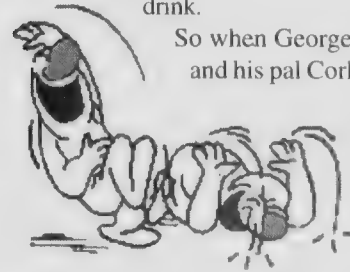
\im-pla-ke-bel\adj: not placable: not capable of being appeased, significantly changed, or mitigated.

My dog Rupert and Frank's cat Oscar are such implacable enemies that we're often forced to restrict them to separate parts of the house.

The Family Tradition...

All of his life, George had heard stories of an amazing family tradition.

It seems that his father, grandfather and great-grandfather had all been able to walk on water on their 21st birthday. On that day, they'd walk across the lake to the boat club for their first legal drink.



So when George's 21st birthday came around, he and his pal Corky took a boat out to the middle of the lake. George stepped out of the boat and nearly drowned! Corky just managed to pull him to safety.

Furious and confused, George went to see his grandmother.

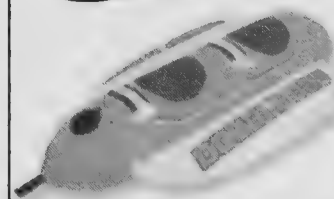
"Grandma, it's my 21st birthday,

so why can't I walk across the lake like my father, his father, and his father before him?"

Granny looked into George's eyes and said, "Because, you idiot, your father, grandfather and great grandfather were born in January, you were born in July."

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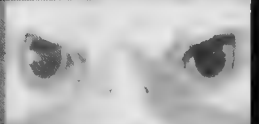
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Highlights at the Kinmount Fair

The Kinmount Fair runs Friday Aug. 31 to September 2nd. Here are just a handful of highlights this year... there is always tons to see and do at the Kinmount Fair – so don't miss out...

Freddy Fashion

Freddy Fusion will be a special guest at the upcoming Kinmount Fair. With its side splitting humour, audience participation and ability to educate while entertain, Freddy Fusion is a favourite among all ages.

The Freddy Fusion Science Magic Show is already a popular program in television, school, and even on cruise ships and public celebrations all over North America and Europe. Freddy's traveling show trailer is full of fun for all ages and comes complete with an interactive lab – a display area for young scientists to explore and experiment.

Don't miss the show – the following is a list of the ShowTime's..

Friday Aug. 31 to Sunday September 2nd -
each day three shows - 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m.
and 3:30 p.m.

West Coast Lumberjack Shows

The West Coast Lumberjack Show is action-packed, non-stop entertainment, complete with its own portable stage, competitors and an M.C. The shows are fun, family style entertainment – everyone will go away with a smile.

Don't miss the show – the following is a list of the ShowTime's..

Friday Aug. 30 to Sunday September 2nd -
each day three shows - 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m.
and 3:30 p.m.

Live Entertainment

Tommy Cash - This year's Grandstand Headliner is Tommy Cash who will be performing a tribute to his brother, Johnny Cash. The show is at the Grandstand on Saturday September 1 at 2 p.m.

Desert Heat – will be performing at the Saturday Evening Dance in the Arena.

Cogliano and Bolland Will Vie for Spots In Training Camp

By Terrance Gavan

Watching Andrew Coglian and Dave Bolland tooling around on a pair of Seadoos at the Lewis Family Cottage north of Minden, with the sun shining and summer still well-entrenched here in cottage country, its hard to imagine that we're fast-approaching the start of another hockey season.

Cogliano and Bolland were visiting Minden, attending a training camp kickoff barbecue as special guests of the Toronto Nationals Minor Bantam (13 year old) hockey team. Both players won gold medals with Canada's National Junior Team and Bolland was a member of the London Knights Memorial Cup champions.

Somehow, midst the roar of the SeaDoos and the shouts emanating from vicinity of the large water trampoline, the imminent approach of another hockey season gets a little lost in the din.

But, this is Canada after all, and in another two weeks Coglian and Bolland will be fully entrenched in their separate icebound quests.

Cogliano, 5'10" and 185, will be off in Edmonton, vying for a spot with the Edmonton Oilers under coach Craig McTavish. Coglian left the University of Michigan this year and signed a three-year deal with the Oilers in May. He won gold with the National Junior squad in 2006 and 2007 and left the Wolverines after a very successful sophomore season last year.

The Oilers drafted Coglian with their first round pick (25'th overall) in the 2005 NHL Entry Draft. They encouraged him to stay at Michigan for his sophomore season, but this year they offered him a pro contract.

The speedy Coglian is coming off a stellar season at Michigan tallying 24 goals and 50 points during the NCAA season. He also centered the second line, was named an alternate captain and played the point on Michigan's power play for most of last season.

Oilers GM Kevin Lowe is confident that Coglian possesses the requisite tools to fit into the team's rebuilding plans. "If he's playing in the American League, I don't suspect he'll play there that long, quite frankly," said Lowe in a recent interview. "But if he does, he'll gain all of the experience playing against stronger guys, So as a result he'll develop."

Bolland is listed at 6' and 174 pounds, possesses above average speed and a heavy shot. He won his gold medal on the 2006 junior squad and was drafted in the second round by Chicago in the 2004 entry draft.

Bolland had a tremendous 05-06 season in his final year with the Knights, finishing second in the league in points with 130 (57 goals, 73 assists). His 57 goals were tied for first on the Knights and the OHL; his 73 assists were third most on the team. He also scored five shorthanded goals, second most on the team. He helped the Knights defend their Hamilton Spectator Trophy.

Bolland already has a year of pro under his belt playing for Chicago Blackhawks AHL affiliate in Norfolk. He scored 17 goals and 32 assists in 65 games with the Admirals.

Like Coglian, Bolland is a natural center, but both say they can adapt to the wing if that's what it takes to make an impact on the big club.

Chicago's Director of Hockey Operations Stan Bowman is high on the young Blackhawk prospect.

"Bolland is the closest thing we have to a star in the making," Bowman said. "He has a lot of skill and we think that is something he will be able

to utilize once he adjusts to the speed of the NHL. He has great hands, and is a great stickhandler...the kind of guy that can bring you out of your seat. If he continues his development at present pace, he should be a point producer in the NHL."



Bolland is optimistic about the Blackhawks chances this year. Young players like Jonathan Toews, Cam Barker and Patrick Kane along with Bolland himself will form the nucleus of a very solid foundation and that bodes well for the future.

"I think we can be competitive this year and like Pittsburgh we're building on youth," said Bolland. He said that the Hawks youth movement may also pay dividends sooner than later.

And although he was only dressed for a total of one game with the Hawks last year, he feels that he has put in the necessary work to allow him to fill a spot on the roster of the big club.

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"I was at a camp a few weeks ago and there are still some spots available," said Bolland. "I'm pretty confident that I can fill one of those spots." Like Cogliano, he is a natural center, but allows that his spot doesn't necessarily have to be at center. He explained that he will play where needed. "I'm versatile and I play a strong two-way game," said Bolland.

"My strength is as a setup man," said Bolland. "I'm most effective when I'm getting to the puck and playing feisty." And let's not forget that with 57 goals in his final year of junior, he's also got a keen eye for the twine.

Cogliano has also attended a few camps in Edmonton and has a feel for what he's up against. And, he has his keen shooter's eye on the current roster and notes that there are still a few open spots on Lowe's playlist.

"I'm a natural center," said Cogliano, adding "but I will play where I'm needed, especially if it gives me a chance to stay with the Oilers."

"I may have to spend some time in Springfield, but I have been looking at the roster and I think I have a good shot at a spot," said Cogliano.

And certainly the Oilers wouldn't have signed him this spring if he didn't have a chance at staying with the show. And he has a fan in Oilers Assistant general manager Scott Howson who says that another year of playing NCAA may have been counterproductive for the speedy center.

"We felt strongly that he should stay (at Michigan) after his freshman year," said Howson in an interview last spring. "We saw enough growth in his game... we think that he's ready to play the pro game now."

And of course, anyone who watched his feisty play at the World Juniors in 2006 and 2007 knows that Cogliano has world class speed, a playmaker's skill set and a competitive spirit that matches his heart.

Lowe has taken some heat of late for his own feisty recruiting campaign, something that has made him persona-non-grata with a couple of other NHL GM's, most notable the always dour Brian Burke. Cogliano fully supports his GM and his quest to improve the Oilers by any means possible.

"He's trying to improve the team and that's exactly what a GM is supposed to do," said Cogliano. "I have absolutely no problem with that at all." Indeed Burke is getting no sympathy from many NHL insiders who see his recent tirades about Lowe's recruiting as a little petulant.

Of course Cogliano can be forgiven for hoping that Lowe is finished for now with the free agent route. Every spot taken by a free agent means another hole filled on the Oilers roster. And although Cogliano said he would accept some seasoning with the Oilers Springfield affiliate it's obvious that the competitive fires are burning bright.

According to MFive agent and friend Paul Capizzano, both Bolland and Cogliano possess the necessary personality traits required to make it in the oft-perplexing web of conceit that sits in the path of a young hockey prospect in today's market.

"This is my tenth year in the business and it's nice working with guys like Andy and Dave," said Capizzano, who was instrumental in bringing the two MFive Sports clients up to Minden last week.

"Here you have two guys that never hesitated. We told them about the camp and the opportunity to meet and skate with some serious young players and they said yes...no hesitation," said Capizzano.

Capizzano says that it's that kind of attitude that will eventually determine how well these two guys will accept the rigors of the pro hockey lifestyle. He is the Director of Recruitment for MFive Sports and it's obvious that he takes his job seriously.

Capizzano and Co-Director of MFive Sports Anton Thun are both high on their new clients. Capizzano, well-respected in Eastern Canada hockey circles, says that it's often the intangibles which mean the difference between the bang and the bust for players.

"Our job as agents is not just to negotiate and then leave them on their own," explained Capizzano. "At this age, when they're young, we have to be there to see that they also develop as people." To that end, Cappy said that he and Anton keep their cell phones on, their doors open and their frequent flyer miles on stun.

"We try to keep in touch during the season in person and on the phone. We ask them how the season's going and if they're having any problems with the city or the travel or anything else that comes with the job," said Capizzano. "At the end of the season we assess what happened and we set goals for training and the next year.

"It's no longer just a six or seven month job," explained Capizzano. "It's twelve months and these guys have to work hard all year to stay competitive. Andy and Dave both have that special talent and they realize that it's important to keep the ego out of it."

He said that it's the reason why, in a split second, the two gold medallists agreed to make the trip to Minden with their medals and their rings.

"No hesitation. We asked and they came. And they're doing it for the kids and that's nice," said Capizzano.

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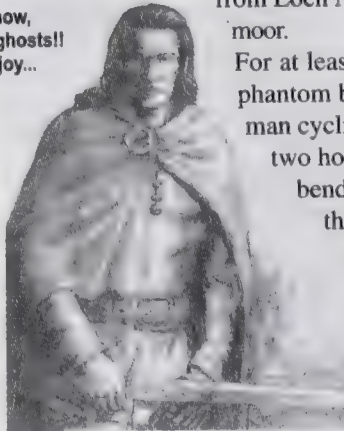
Ghost Stories

Scary Tales

The following is a fun little column for those who like ghost stories... Whether these are true or not we don't know, but they are stories told by those who believe they saw real ghosts!! If anything, they do make for interesting little stories... enjoy...



For at least a hundred years there have been reports that a phantom battle has been observed on the moor.



Ashie Moor

The bleak, heather-clad expanse of Ashie moor lies four miles to the south west of Inverness in Scotland and a couple of miles from Loch Ness. Only a couple of remote crofts overlook the moor.

For at least a hundred years there have been reports that a phantom battle has been observed on the moor. In 1871, a man cycling along the road which skirts the moor glimpsed two horsemen on the road ahead of him. Rounding a bend in the road, he found himself cycling 'through' the two riders. Shocked, he crashed to the ground and standing up again saw a 'silent' battle in progress on the moor, involving bodies of warriors on foot and on horseback, all of whom faded into thin air after a few minutes. In the 1940s a shepherd checking his sheep on the moor found himself suddenly surrounded by mist. Out of the gloom ran crowds of bearded,

long-haired men dressed in ragged garments, some clutching wooden clubs, others brandishing short-bladed swords. Terror stricken, the shepherd cowered behind a large rock. It became obvious that the wild looking men were oblivious to his presence. He heard shouts and cries, the sounds of combat. After about ten minutes, the mist lifted and the men disappeared.

In the mid-1980s a local man was fishing from a small boat on Loch Ashie, on the northern edge of the moor. It was a bright, sunny summer evening and no-one else was to be seen. Gradually, but quite clearly, he began to hear shouts and the occasional clash of metal on metal coming from the moor beside the loch, despite the fact that the area was devoid of human presence. Again, slowly but surely, the sounds faded away to silence. Alarmed, the angler made for the shore and home.

Another former resident of the area has described seeing men on horseback crossing the moor, only to vanish before his eyes...

The battle? Well, there is no clear indication as to what actual event may have been

responsible for originating these sightings. It is known that the vicinity experienced Viking raids, particularly around the mid-11th century when there appears to have been a Viking base at Nairn, some 12 miles away.

Certainly the reported appearance of the phantom warriors and their short swords would tend to suggest an early-medieval origin, a period when the

native Picts (the name given by the Romans to the native inhabitants of northern Scotland) were under pressure from Viking raiding parties. One can only speculate. Do Pictish warriors continue to fight Vikings at Ashie moor in 2002...? All I can say ... it's up to you to decide.



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Wilderness Medical Associates Canada is a source for wilderness medical and rescue training. The "State of the Art" certification programs are recognized across Canada and around the world. Wilderness Medical Associates, Canada opened in 1995. It's the Canadian chapter of the well respected international organization of Wilderness Medical Associates (WMA) based in Bryant Pond ME. WMA was founded by Dr. Peter Goth in 1978. Presently WMA programs have been taught in over 40 countries on all seven continents. It is the largest and most well recognized international training organization in the wilderness medical & wilderness first aid industry. WMA provides the highest quality curriculum and trained instructors in Canada and internationally.

Jane Isbister is the Operations Manager for the Canadian head office of WMA which opened on Highway 118, outside Haliburton in March of this year. She was born and raised in Toronto and she has been working in the area of Outdoor Education for the last ten years. She moved to the Highlands in 2001 to accepted a job at the Kinark Outdoor Centre. Jane lives with her dog Luna, and room mate Karen in Eagle Lake. She just started with WMA in December of 2006.

"I'd taken one or two of their courses and knew that they were an integral provider in the outdoor industry," she says. "The timing was right for me, and it's been great."

Jane explains that WMA is a medical training association that works outside the 911 umbrella, rurally and in the wilderness. It offers courses in the warmer months to a wide variety of people, including outdoor centres, hunters, campers, outfitters, and guiding companies. The rest of the year the organization is working on government contracts and on projects with organizations like colleges and universities, the MNR, mountain guides out west, and strangely, field curators at the ROM. "We're just starting to teach 2nd year medical students, and we've been accredited by the Ontario College of Physicians. These students have an interest in wilderness and rural medicine," she explains.

WMA has taught their skills every continent, including China. In the Highlands the organization has worked with the YMCA Wanakita, the Kinark Outdoor Centre, and are presently talking to camp Medeba and Fleming College. WMA worked with Fleming in April to bring The Real Paddling Film Fest to Fleming. "We also had a medic present at the Haliburton Bike Festival, which was sponsored by the Health Unit,"

Jane says. "There are about 14 instructors operating out of the Haliburton office at the present time. Anybody can take the course, but you need a sense of responsibility, you need to participate fully and be prepared to get your hands dirty. There are 2, 4 and 8 day courses, and the public must sign up through a sponsoring organization like Wanakita, Fleming or Kinark. Our instructors tend to be medical professionals; nurses, doctors, paramedics, and outdoor experts. Most instructors do it as additional training to their work."

"We're always looking for more instructors," Jane explains, "and ideally we'd like to draw from such people as paramedics, the EMS personnel, firefighters, the OPP." She is quick to point out though that potentially, a future instructor could be a weekend warrior who took the course and excelled at it."

At the present time WMA is running about 200 courses a year. They would like to do more of the medical elective courses because according to Jane "it offers students a different approach to medicine, and we get a great response from them; and, from the aspect of a service provider, we consider ourselves part of the team. Hopefully next

year," she continues, "we'll have 2 medical elective courses in Haliburton. This year, what with moving, there wasn't time to get one locally set up."

The move Jane is referring to was the head office move from Hamilton Ontario to Haliburton. Hamilton is where the Executive Director of the Canadian branch Mike Webster presently lives, and he's looking to make a permanent move to the Highlands himself, in the next little while.

Mike has connections to the Highlands as well. Beside friends, his girlfriend and partner has lived in Haliburton for years and is a dog sledding guide for Winterdance, a local sled dog kennel, dogsled guide outfitter, and racing team.

Mike sent along the following story from a former student, to illustrate the effectiveness of the courses offered by Wilderness Medical Associates. Some of it is technical, but the point is well made.

"I was called to an ATV rollover earlier this spring. Not really wilderness but quite an injury. The person was a ways back in the woods by himself on a rhino (a kind of 4-wheeler but you sit side by side with a small box on back). He was pinned under it but able to reach a cell phone and call his buddies. They went in and called someone to get me from work. The person who got me from work knew only that this person was pinned under the machine and hurt bad but nothing else. I grabbed my trauma kit (pro patrol at the hill, so I have a decent one), jumped on a ski doo with the

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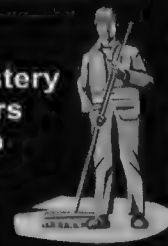
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ops. manager and went to see. When we got there, the victim was on the ground with the machine off him but lying extremely still on his back. I was expecting to see a blue face or worse but as I walked up, I saw the guys there were talking to him. I immediately got the ops. manager to take C-spine then I asked what had happened and got the rollover story. After establishing there was absolutely no head, neck or back damage, I took a look at the rest of him. One arm was lying out beside him and he told me it was broken. The fleece he had on was intact so I started cutting. His lower arm was incredible swollen. This is a big man anyways (6'3" and 350+lbs) but the forearm was almost the size of a football. Very little movement or sensation in the fingertips with minimal cap. refill. As I cut up the sleeve a large clot of blood fell out. It would have covered the better part of both my hands. Cut all the way up to the shoulder and around it and started pulling the sleeve off. I was expecting to see squirting but not the case. The lower arm from apr 2" below the elbow to the wrist had been de-gloved and pushed down around the hand. The radius and ulna we both sticking out on top from the wrist up and out the bottom from the elbow down, through the remaining skin. Every layer of skin, fat, muscle and tendon were there to see like a picture in a book. The rhino has a roll cage with a roof made of 1/4" plastic. When he rolled, he stuck an arm out and the roof did the rest when it landed on him. The whole arm had contracted causing the incredible swelling I had seen. The bleeding had mostly stopped by this time and there was a very weak radial pulse. I put a number of ab pads on the de-gloved section and got a flannel blanked, cut it in half and padded the underside of the arm, first covering the protruding bones. Put a SAM on under that and used cling to hold the whole mess in place. I had sent the Ops. manager back for a toboggan and he arrived with it shortly after. By then 911 had been alerted and an ambulance was waiting at the bottom of the hill. (The trail he had been on was out behind the ski hill at the top of the mountain.) He could not bend his elbow much so after boarding him, we had to put the arm down by his side. Wrapped him up and transported to the bottom of the hill and into the truck. I had the chance to speak with him a few weeks later and one bone was in 3 pieces and the other in lots more. 2 bone graphs, lots of skin graphs and a shell cast when I saw him. He was going to the hospital every 2 days to get the bandages changed. Loosening some of the rotational ability of the lower arm and some sensation. Pretty lucky



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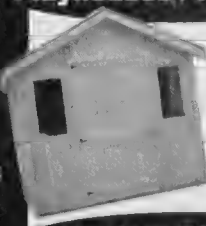
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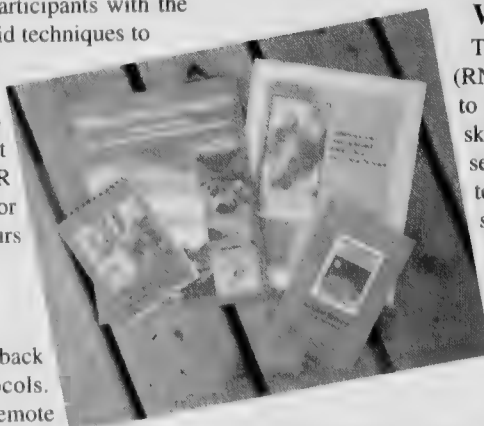
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Note: Not everyone passes the course they are enrolled in. Beyond 100% attendance, successful completion includes passing a written exam and ongoing practical evaluation. If you do not meet the requirements of a certain course, you may still meet the requirements of a lesser certification and may be given such, based upon the discretion of the instructor.

For more on WMA call Jane Isbister at (705) 455-9797, or 1-888-945-3633. Fax (705) 455-9898. The address is Wilderness Medical Associates, 13523 Highway 118, Box 927, Haliburton Ont. K0M 2K0. Email: office@wildmed.ca For additional information on the courses, visit the website at www.wildmed.ca

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Beginnings and Endings

Not all days start the same but none have ever begun like August 23 did this year.

My husband Alan was picked up at our dock at 7:30 a.m. by our neighbour Wayne and driven into town by his wife Linda where he was getting a house ready for his mom to move into. Next thing I knew, Wayne had rushed into our house and told me to call 911; Stu, another neighbour, had crashed his boat onto shore and was unconscious. I did as I was told then went down to help. On the way, I was in the state of shock not wanting to believe this. Stu was a good man and a very good friend, so I called upon Love to bring me back into focus. Calmed down, I took a quick survey of the scene, then hopped in the water and, with the help of two other neighbours, started CPR. Neither we, nor the paramedics, were successful in reviving him, and so I lost yet another wise, kind elder in my life.

Stewart Gillespie was like an uncle. We had some good laughs and most importantly, we looked out for each other. In fact I probably wouldn't be living on this boat-access lake without his companionship and guidance. We didn't need to speak everyday; it was just comforting knowing we each were there. It was especially comforting for my husband, for when he was away for work and I wasn't answering the phone, he'd call to check on me. "Hey Stu, do you see any lights on down there?"

Stu knew how to fix anything, and he used to joke about me taking a small engine repair course. I kept saying I was going to bring my old snowmobile up and have him show me how to fix it, but regrettably I didn't. He would have enjoyed teaching me as much as I would have enjoyed learning.

Stu, at 77 years-old, was from an era when men were as comfortable hunting and trapping as they were feeding the birds and caring for vegetable gardens. He showed me how to skin a beaver once and then teased me about practicing on squirrels.

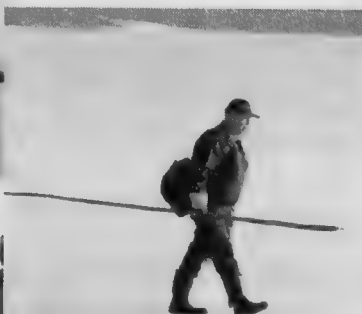
He liked to laugh. Even more, he liked a good story. He could tell you about the horse trail and who was in at the various hunt camps on any given day. He knew where to take the metal detector and look for relics from old logging camps. He told me about the animal tracks and scat I found on the trail, and he always had a loving smile and story to tell about his grandchildren.

Stu could also be a little rough around the edges at times, but we always knew he'd give us the shirt off his back, and his pants too, if we ever needed them. Some of the sayings I learned from were: "*The winds from the east are lazy winds. They don't go round ya, they go right through ya.*" "*When the days get longer, the cold gets stronger.*" And my favourite was, and he liked to laugh at me when I forgot to follow it: "*If you keep the top half of the gas tank full, you don't have to worry bout the bottom.*"

I have a lot of fond memories of Stu, but strangely no tears. My husband cried, and I began to think that I was an emotional cripple because I didn't. But then I came across a friend who reassured me that if I didn't think death was the end, then there was nothing to be sad about. One wasn't sad about a caterpillar that changed into a butterfly.

But I used this as a way to find fault with myself, and soon found lots of other things I wasn't good at either. Next thing I knew, I was withdrawing and blaming others for my state of being. Fortunately, the Swami's quote came back to mind: "Refuse to be seduced by what is past and over, and

Dancing Along the White Trail with Marci Mandel



what cannot be changed. Remember, more important than what is behind you or what is ahead of you is what is in you." I realized I was worrying about what I *wasn't* instead of appreciating what I *was*. I'm not a lot of things, but I always am a source of love.

One sees what one chooses to see, and when I see Stewart Gillespie in my mind, I see happiness and love, and maybe that's why I haven't

cried. All days may begin differently, but when the heart is open to loving whatever comes along, they all end with a smile.

I love you Stu. Take care. And I promise to feed your birds.

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Pelaw Lake - \$429,000

3 bedroom on Pelaw Lake. Full basement. 2 acre well treed flat lot. 200 ft of sand shore line on this quiet 2 part lake that also flows into the 2 lake Redstone chain. Enjoy tranquility of a small lake with access to the large lake for major boating experiences. Near The Haliburton Forest and Wildlife

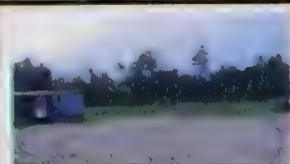
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Viceroy 'Manitou' - \$239,900

2 acres with access to Beach Lake close by 3 bedrm home w/ sunken living rm, open concept kitchen/living rm, screened in porch off master bedrm. Wood stove, HRV system, and a propane furnace. Single car garage or workshop & storage shed. On bus route

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5 Bedroom Waterfront - \$799,000

This beautiful waterfront home must be seen to be appreciated, 5 bed, 3 bath, fireplace, lake views from almost every window, huge master with 5 pc ensuite

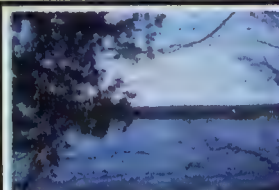
David Lee



Clear Lake - \$549,000

Clear Lake, viceroy style w/ home, 4 bed, southern exposure big lake view., full basement with w/o double attached garage

David Lee



Fabulous Halls Lake - \$219,000

One of the last building lots on prestigious Halls Lake! Approximately 1.7 acre lot with access from County Road 13 (Little Hawk Lake Road) and Halls Lake Road. Big lake view and sought after western exposure

Lindsay Elder



Price Just Lowered

Loaded in wood this 'get-away feeling' home has all of the amenities. Two bedrooms, super in-law suite as well as a 2-person Jacuzzi tub. Nature abounds in the 'untouched' back yard and you are less than a five minutes walk away from public access on Kushog Lake.

Lindsay Elder



Denna Lake - \$329,000

145 feet of sandy shoreline, with a level lot, great swimming and boating. Cottage features, knotty pine walls and floors, 3 bedrooms, 4pc bath. Quiet lake with shoreline owned

Grace Loughheed



Horseshoe Lake - \$639,900

Engineered hardwood oak flooring installed over drycore, hot tub built into deck, multi-level decking, ceramic entrance, private balcony off the master bedroom, all e-gon windows & quality garden doors, new propane Porcelain and nickel stove in living room, one and half car garage

Grace Loughheed



Beech River - \$369,000

BEECH Minutes away by boat to Boshkung Lake from this three bedroom back split on Beech River. Well treed level lot, beautiful stone fireplace. Wide part of river for great swimming

Ed Gibbons



Beech River - \$359,000

BEECH Boat to Boshkung Lake from your own dock on Beech River. This beautiful home features a walkout basement, finished rec room, screened in porch, double garage. Shows pride of ownership.

Ed Gibbons



MacBrien Rd. - \$109,900

Four-bedroom home with easy year round access. Features large detached garage and 3 outbuildings. Oil furnace replaced in 2004 and living room, kitchen & entry were insulated and dry walled in last few years. Excellent value! Trust Schedule in LBO must accompany all Offers

Tom Gardner



Davis Lake - \$424,900

Large family cottage with many upgrades and luxury features. New custom kitchen, new windows and doors, all new decking, easy year round access on popular Davis Lake. Gradual sloping lot with sand shore.

Tom Gardner



Two Cottages on Pine Point - \$650,000

320 ft lakefront with over 2 acres - at the end of the road with two cottages - a three bedrm winterized cottage finished in pine with 8 ft stone fireplace & one bedrm rustic cabin. Waterfront w/ shallow rock shelf for wading & deep water entry w/ spectacular rock ledge shoreline on a point abutting Crown Land.

Luba Cargill



Beautiful Kushog Waterfront - \$434,000

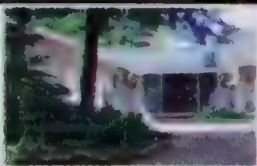
Open House

September 2 - 11a.m. - 2 p.m.

1290 Oliver Rd off Kushog Lake Rd

Ideal 3 bedroom family cottage with level park like setting and shallow sandy water entry. Easy year round access.

Luba Cargill



Lakefront Property - \$673,900

Private, yr-rnd waterfront estate on over 3 acres. 125 ft. of water frontage on a quiet bay. Brick built home w/ 4,700 sq. ft. lvg. sp., 4 bdrms, 3 1/2 baths, 2 beamed living rooms, 2 offices/studios (1 has a washroom, storage & separate entrance). Dble storey barn w/ huge workshop & masses of storage

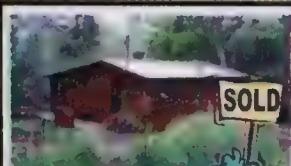
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Starter Cottage - \$149,500

Cozy 1 bdr. cottage with hydro & drilled well. Level lot with southeast exposure & bunkie/shed. Rippled sand & great swimming just across the road.

Patti & Hal Johnson



Long Lake - \$359,000

Outstanding privacy, exceptional peace & quiet are provided by this property 4 bdrms *lovingly built & well maintained* clean shoreline with deep water off the dock. 227' of frontage & 9.6 acres with gentle slope to the water.

Patti & Hal Johnson



Haliburton Country Home - \$199,900

Lovely decorated home with over 2200 sq ft. lvg. sp. in a 1.4 acre treed setting with easy yr. rnd access. 3+1 bedrooms/2 bthrms & main flr laundry. Finished rec room w/ wood stove & fireplace in living room

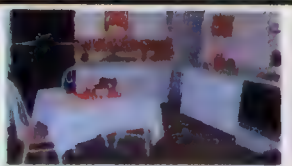
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Year Round Lakefront Cottage/Home \$459,000

A tree lined driveway greets you to your lovely year round solidly built Viceroy style cottage/home. A south facing level lot with 3+1 bedrooms & 2 baths. Screened in porch on main floor & fireplace in fully finished recroom. Good privacy & on a two lake chain,

Patti & Hal Johnson



Motivated Seller - Bring an Offer

Charming 2 bdrn starter/retirement home or use as a getaway! Western exposure, view of Boshkung Lake and close to snowmobile, ski, hiking, ATV and water trails. Beautifully landscaped private back yard. Asking \$99,900.

Lindsay Elder



Peach Lake - \$469,900

Gorgeous 3 BR - den home/cottage on 2 acres w/ 300+ shoreline on Peach Lk. Cedar walls to a vaulted ceiling, breathtaking sunset view of lake enhances the L.R.

Barry Warren



Burnt River - \$110,000

Quaint and cozy two bedroom cottage on Burnt River - good swimming & canoeing nice level lot - renovations needed

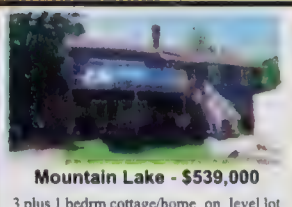
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Halls Lake - \$529,000

3+1 BR waterfront home/cottage. Open concept living. Huge master BR, main floor laundry, walk-out basement. Also has 2 BR bunkie for guests.

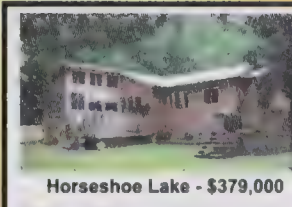
Vince Jarvis



Mountain Lake - \$539,000

3 plus 1 bedrm cottage/home on level lot with sand beach. cathedral ceiling in living room, dining room and kitchen, lake views from living room with patio doors to spacious deck. walkout from basement to lower patio area, extras include brick fireplace, airtight woodstove, central vacuum, drilled well.

Vince Jarvis



Horseshoe Lake - \$379,000

Excellent family cottage with easy access off township road. Level, mostly treed lot, sand beach. Cottage is well maintained with hardwood floors in living room, dining room and sunroom. Great location with short distance to town. Enjoy boating on a two lake chain

Al Mayo



Canning Lake - \$359,000

Canning Lake, spacious & open 3 bedroom cottage, 150 feet waterfront on Canning Lake, good docks, almost level lot

Al Mayo



Little Kennisis - \$398,900

Point lot with 160 ft frontage of natural shoreline with 2 small sand coves and expansive southwest exposure. One of only 2 lots on entire lake that developer Percy Watts retained for personal ownership. Original family improved 1040 sq. ft. cottage features recent upgrades to kitchen and washroom. Insulated guest bunkie, 2 storage sheds, extensive lakeside decking/docking plus loads more!

Anthony, Marcia & Chris



Access to Head Lake - \$419,900

1728 sq ft home loaded in upgrades. Fully finished lower level, double attached garage, and boat slip on 5-lake chain. Features two fireplaces, custom kitchen, master bedrm 5 pce ensuite, main flr laundry, slate floor, central air & vac, all appliances, high speed internet plus bonus flat screen T.V.

Anthony, Marcia & Chris



Halls Lake - \$489,900

1.97 acre waterfront parcel w/ 320 ft frontage on Halls Lake. Easy year round access classic 4 bedroom 1200 sq. ft. 1953 cottage with floor to ceiling stone fireplace and wood floors, cathedral open ceilings, 2 loft areas, decking, dock & dock house plus loads more

Anthony, Marcia & Chris



Beech Lake - \$249,900

100 ft waterfront. Sand shoreline easy year round access. Walking trails/creek attractive insulated "pacific" style open concept cottage, features cathedral beamed wood ceilings, floor to ceiling stone fireplace, spacious waterfront screen porch, wood walls & floors, eat-in kitchen plus insulated 16' x 12' bunkie office

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Drag Lake - \$449,900

Open House
Saturday Sept. 1st - 9 - 11 a.m.

Totally renovated 1570 sq. ft. open concept 4 bdrn, 2 bath, home/cottage on level lot on Drag Lake. Private gated driveway, clean sand shore. Extensive lakeside decking, maple hardwood floors, pine trim and doors throughout

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Farquhar Lake - \$319,900

Spectacular private well treed parcel with 450 ft frontage and 66 acres on Farquhar Lake. Expansive sunset view-clean shoreline-rare opportunity-older basic 1036 sq ft, 4 bedroom cottage on point is ideal for short term use or future building foot print Under managed Forest Program until 2019

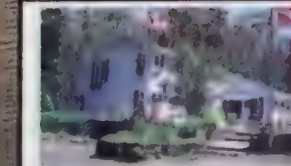
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Loon Lake - \$379,900

Royal Home on a very private 30-acre lot with 401 ft frontage on Loon Lake access across road. Double attached insulated garage & large double detached garage. Manicured & landscaped setting with in ground sprinklers. Also mixed bush with trails. 200 amp service with a generator back up & H.R.V. filter system. Two bedroom bunkie and Quonset hut

Chris & Michelle



Custom Built Home - \$259,900

2500 sq ft home open concept living & dining rm w/ cathedral ceilings. On year round maintained road close to all amenities, public swimming, golfing, and skiing. Very private lot natural & easy to maintain with a gazebo overlooking 3 koi ponds with a waterfall. Workshop and storage buildings.

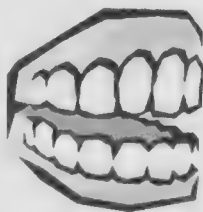
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It's the Law

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The city of Port Henry, N.Y. has passed a law forbidding anyone from disturbing the sea creature believed to live in Lake Champlain!

In Essex Falls, New Jersey, an old law stated that ducks could not quack after ten P.M.



The states of Illinois, Montana, and Minnesota all require by law that dentures have their owner's social security number on them.

King Amanullah of Afghanistan tried to pass a law requiring all of his follower to wear bowler hats.

Crazy But True Law Suits

A West Virginia convenience store worker was awarded a whopping \$2,699,000 in punitive damages after she injured her back opening a pickle jar, this according to a report in the Charleston Daily Mail.

The 'injured' worker also received \$130,066 in compensation and \$170,000 for emotional distress.

A State Supreme Court Justice, Spike Maynard, called this award an "outrageous sum." In his dissenting opinion, he wrote, "I know an excessive punitive damages award when I see one, and I see one here."

The court, however, upheld most of the punitive damages. Net result: \$2.2 million.

Grandma In Court

Lawyers should never ask a Mississippi grandma a question if they aren't prepared for the answer. In a trial, a Southern small-town prosecuting attorney called his first witness, a grandmotherly, elderly woman to the stand.

He approached her and asked, "Mrs. Jones, do you know me?" She responded, "Why, yes, I do know you, Mr. Williams. I've known you since you were a young boy, and frankly, you've been a big disappointment to me. You lie, you cheat on your wife, and you manipulate people and talk about them behind their backs. You think you're a big shot when you haven't the brains to realize you never will amount to anything more than a two-bit paper pusher. Yes, I know you."

The lawyer was stunned! Not knowing what else to do, he pointed across the room and asked, "Mrs. Jones, do you know the defense attorney?"

She again replied, "Why, yes, I do. I've known Mr. Bradley since he was a youngster, too. He's lazy, bigoted, and he has a drinking problem. He can't build a normal relationship with anyone and his law practice is one of the worst in the entire state. Not to mention he cheated on his wife with three different women. One of them was your wife. Yes, I know him."

The defense attorney almost died. The judge asked both counselors to approach the bench and, in a very quiet voice, said, "If either of you idiots asks her if she knows me, I'll send you to the electric chair."

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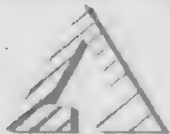


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Lange on the Law

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Frustrated Contracts

Believe it or not, there is such a thing as a frustration of a contract. The "frustration" has nothing to do with people's feelings. It is governed by the doctrine of frustration of contracts at common law and under the *Frustrated Contracts Act*. The frustration may come about when the parties to a contract cannot perform it, or cannot continue to perform it, due to some outside event not related to the conduct of the parties or contemplated by them. There can be no frustration if the outside event results from the voluntary act of one of the parties, or if the possibility of such event was contemplated by the parties and provided for in the agreement. Illness or physical incapacity is an example. A contract of employment may be frustrated, or declared to be at end without compensation to either party, due to an employee's illness or incapacity. This will depend on the terms of the contract, the type of employment, the expected duration of employment, and most importantly, the prospects of recovery for the employee.

The *Tenant Protection Act* expressly provides that the doctrine of frustration of contracts and the *Frustrated Contracts Act* apply to tenancy agreements in Ontario. Here are the facts of a decided case. A tenant leased a room located above a laundromat for one year. The laundromat created a lot of heat from the clothes dryers and the tenant's room had poor cross-ventilation. The landlord had installed air conditioning in the room to compensate for the poor ventilation. However, the lease did not require such installation. For a period of three months in the summer, the air conditioning was not working because it broke down. Two months before the end of the lease, the tenant informed the landlord that she was being transferred in her employment, and thereupon vacated the premises. The tenant refused to pay the rent for the last two months because the air conditioning had not been operating for the three month period in the summer.

The landlord sued for the two months rent but the action was dismissed. One of the legal grounds for the court's dismissal was that the lease had been partially frustrated because of the breakdown of the air conditioning equipment. Was the case correctly decided on the basis of a frustration of contract? I will leave it to you to decide.

In the next column, I will be talking about interfering with a contract.

If you consider it a sport to gather your food by drilling through 36 " of ice and sitting there all day hoping that the food will swim by, you live in Ontario.

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Friends: Andre Lapine & Carl Ahrens at the Minden Cultural Centre

The Minden Hills Cultural Centre will be hosting "Friends: Andre Lapine and Carl Ahrens" from September 12-30th. Celebrating a wonderful friendship; this exhibition is a blending of two significant Canadian artists who inspired each other; Andre Lapine & Carl Ahrens. Carl Henry von Ahrens was born in 1862. Lapine was born in 1866. Ahrens grew up in Berlin, Ontario (now Kitchener) & Lapine was from Latvia. Lapine travelled Europe & Ahrens travelled North America. Both came to Toronto to establish themselves as artists - Carl on Adelaide Street & Andre on Grenville St. & there they met, in 1912.

Both men were known for their adventurous & humorous natures & both were members of the Ontario Society of Artists & the Royal Canadian Academy of Arts. Both worked in portrait & landscape. They were close friends their entire lives. This exhibition brings these two friends together in a heart-warming display of their work & their stories from personal journals. The exhibit includes work from the Agnes Jamieson Gallery collection of Andre Lapine & borrowed work by Carl Ahrens from private & public collections.

For more info on the exhibit contact Laurie Carmount at 286-3763.



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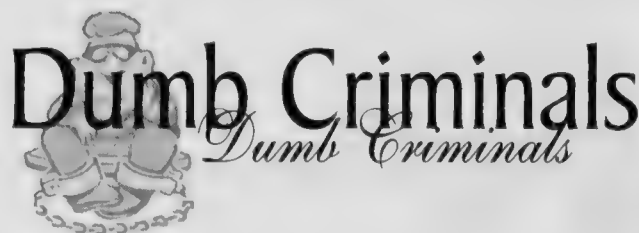
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Funding must be used by March 31, 2008.



Paul Michael Goobie, 47, found a dead dog in the street on April 1 and got an idea: he tied a rope around its neck, tied the other end to a co-worker's pickup truck bumper, and let the man drive away unaware in the Pompano Beach, Fla., evening rush-hour traffic. Kevin Meloy drove two miles with other motorists honking at him to get his attention. He didn't hear them: he's deaf. Someone finally flagged him down and he found the grisly scene trailing him. He picked up the carcass and was headed back to the office when he was pulled over by police, who had been called by numerous motorists. Detectives confirmed he had no idea what was going on. Goobie, who said he got the idea from the movie "National Lampoon's Summer Vacation", was cited for "unlawful disposal of a dead animal" and faces up to 60 days in jail ...Dozens of motorists would prefer he spent 60 days in the pound.

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After the election, the political party that wins the most electoral districts is normally asked to form a government.

Mixed Member Proportional

One of the electoral systems you will be asked to consider during Ontario's referendum is called Mixed Member Proportional. It is called a mixed system, because it combines two voting systems: a First-Past-the-Post system and a Proportional Representation system.

How does Mixed Member Proportional work?

If this system is accepted, Ontarians will have two votes in future elections: one for a 'Local Member' and one for a political party. The provincial legislature would have 129 seats: Local Members' would fill 90 seats while 'List Members' would fill 39 seats. The political party with the largest number of seats in the legislature, including 'Local Members' and 'List Members', is asked to form a government.

How are 'Local Members' and 'List Members' elected?

In each electoral district, one vote would be used to elect a 'Local Member' using a First-Past-the-Post system. The candidate with the most votes in an electoral district wins.

The other vote would be for a political party. Votes for parties will be used to determine the number of 'List Members' each party gets. This is the proportional representation part.

If a political party is entitled to more seats than it won locally, 'List Members' are elected to make up the difference. 'List Members' can only be elected from a political party that received more than 3% of these votes.

In the end, a political party's overall share of seats will roughly equal its share of the total votes for parties in the province.

Who are 'Local Members' and 'List Members'?

Anyone who meets the rules for eligibility can become a candidate for election as a 'Local Member'. Some candidates are called "independents" while others represent a political party.

'List Members' are candidates from any registered political party. Before an election each political party prepares an ordered list of candidates they would like considered as 'List Members'.

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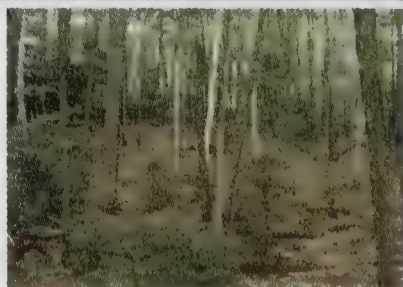
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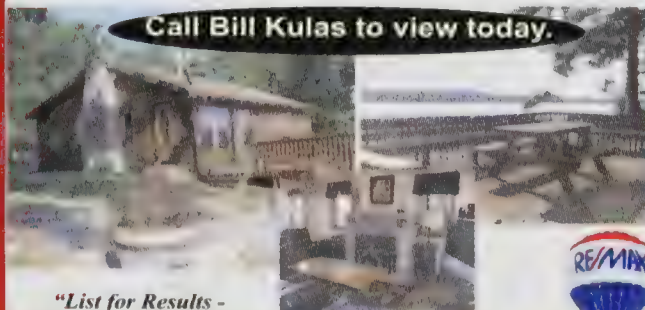


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Matt Duchene Batallion Bound

Haliburton Hockey's Loss is Brampton's Gain

By Terrance Gavan

Somehow it doesn't seem fair that, at 16 one is forced to ponder a decision that could possibly emanate with profound reverberations upon the rest of your life.

But of course, if you happen to be a hockey player in possession of the rare articles of trade; and if you are also a well-spoken and insightful young man who knows what he wants; well, sometimes the time-consuming process of the inevitable life-framing decision just can't be avoided; and yes sometimes life just ain't fair.

But don't get the wrong idea.. The subject in question, Haliburton's Matt Duchene ain't complaining for one minute. In fact, Duchene, wise beyond his years, has a very basic response to it all.

"I'm very thankful for everything I've been given," allows the newest in the line of Haliburton hockey prodigies.

Matt Duchene has always had the dream. Ever since he first laced on a pair of skates and stepped onto the ice with a hockey stick in his hands.

"Playing professionally is the goal," says Duchene. "I've had it since I started playing hockey."

Make no mistake about this folks. When you're gifted and when you're a sought-after commodity, sixteen is the age when the crunch hits. It's "carpe diem or ledo via!" (Seize the day or hit the road!)

So fair or not, Duchene was forced to make a decision back in May, a decision that he said took him a full two months to reach.

Duchene had committed to playing for the Michigan State Spartans, a highly regarded school with a very successful NCAA hockey program.

Parenthetically, Michigan State also offered access to a course in Industrial Design. Duchene, well-spoken and an astute student, has some other goals in life and the pursuit of a degree in Industrial Design is one of them.

Things had seemingly fallen into place. Scholarship, dream academic program and a spot on a major US College Program with a proven sightline to the NHL.

And then came the fork in the road.

Duchene, became the fifth overall pick of the Brampton Batallion in the OHL Priority Selection on May 5. That selection was based on Duchene's 69 goals and 37 assists (106 points) in 52 games last season while playing for the Central Ontario Wolves minor midgets.

So Duchene was forced at that point to make a choice. Spend another two years playing High School and some Tier Two hockey while waiting for graduation and a subsequent move to Michigan State, or agree to play with the Batallion under highly regarded mentor Stan Butler.

"This was a tough decision," said Duchene, "the toughest decision of my life."

Thankfully he has a solid family foundation and some very supportive parents. "I wasn't really sure how it was going to turn out, because I had originally committed to Michigan State, but ... it takes another two years to get there," says Duchene.

Add to that, the fact that Batallion coach Stan Butler is a highly regarded mentor with a stellar track record for the transitioning of former Batallion players to the NHL, including the likes of Jason Spezza and Raffi Torres, and you get an idea just how much was riding on Matt's broad shoulders.

Oddly enough, access to a very respected program in Industrial Design offered at Toronto's Humber College eventually provided the lynchpin for Duchene's decision.

"I did some research and found that I can take the same courses at Humber College," says Duchene. "Humber has the program I want, and it's the best place in Ontario to go for it."

In fact, just before the Battalion's minicamp in early June, Duchene and his parents (Vince & Chris) visited Toronto's Humber College, which offers the bachelor of applied technology degree with a major in industrial design.

He still credits access to the program with his eventual decision to accept the job with the Batallion back in June. "I'm very excited about it, it's an awesome opportunity," says Duchene, who added that Michigan State took the news well when informed of his decision to jump to the OHL.

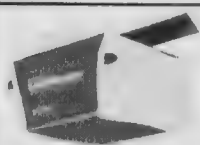
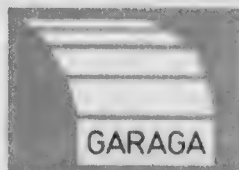
"I knew Stan Butler and I had confidence that Brampton could be better for me in the long run," adds Duchene.

For now, Duchene is preparing for the move to his "new family" and new school in Brampton. His parents are happy because they will get a chance to see him play and also because the commute to Brampton at 2 hours is considerably less than a nine hour road trip to Michigan State.

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"I will be billeted with a family and will attend high school in Brampton for the next two years," says Duchene. And while he says that the move will mean an adjustment, the opportunity to play at an elite level far outweighs any concerns he has about acclimatization.

He adds that he will actually miss less time at high school this year than he did last year while playing with the Central Ontario Wolves. Brampton plays in an OHL division which affords short road trips and that minimizes time lost at school, and that suits Duchene perfectly.

However, there will be a certain amount of angst over the prospect of leaving a lifetime of friends behind here in the Highlands.

"I'm going to miss Haliburton and my friends and I'm also going to miss playing high school hockey," says Duchene. "But this is an excellent opportunity to play at an elite level under a great coach, and that's something I've been working toward my whole life."

Butler and Duchene were guests at the Toronto Nationals minor bantam training camp meet-and-greet and barbecue in Minden recently, and the Coach and Director of Hockey Operations for the Battalion said Duchene will make a great addition to the team.

Duchene scored six goals in four minicamp games with the Battalion earlier this summer and Butler said he's looking forward to seeing him play against the veterans as training camp gets underway this week.

"We picked him because he was the best player available," said Butler. At 5'11" and 190 pounds, Duchene also won't be all that intimidated playing with 19 and 20-year-old players. But of course it's still a big step-up for most 16-year-old players and changes have to be made.

To that end, Duchene has been working out hard on dry land and skating whenever he can over the course of this summer.

"I'm not the smallest guy out there, but there will be an adjustment playing against 20-year-olds," says Duchene. "I'm going to make the best of this opportunity and I'm not coming into this training camp cocky."

Of course Duchene will have the added inspiration of a long time friend and former Haliburton resident Cody Hodgson to lean on for advice when needed. Hodgson was selected to the under 18 National Team and returned from the tourney in Europe just last Monday.

Hodgson, the Battalion's first-round choice as a centre in 2006, had 23 goals and 23 assists for 46 points in 63 games as a rookie.

"I talked to him a little bit and asked about what I could expect at minicamp. He told me and helped me prepare for it. He had a great season, and I'd love to have the kind of suc-

cess he had in my first season," says Duchene.

In an article back in June, Battalion owner Scott Abbott, said of his new acquisition: "The OHL is the right place for a player of Matt's stature, and we're delighted that he's decided to join the Battalion. We owe a debt



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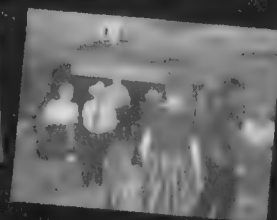
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of gratitude to Joe Birch of the OHL office for having helped him and his family reach the decision they did."

Birch, the OHL's director of recruitment and education services, attended a luncheon during the Battalion minicamp and met with the Duchene family afterwards. It's testament to the OHL's changing mo-
rals that they have a director looking after the post-secondary educational needs of its players.

Butler also said just after Matt's appearance at the minicamp that Duchene is the kind of player who can contribute right away. He was cited on the Battalion website with a pretty solid endorsement of his top draft pick.

"I've always felt that Matt would be a good player at our level," said Butler. "At minicamp all he did was just reaffirm what I'd already known about him. I don't like to put high expectations on players because, while they might have a good year, it might fall short of the expectations and people get down on them. But I think he's as good as any of the 16-year-old players who'll be coming into the league this season. I think he'll show that once the season starts."

Duchene also recently attended the Ontario under-17 team evaluation camp at York University in the early summer. The camp plays a part in identifying those who will represent Ontario at the 2008 World Under-17 Challenge at London, Ont., from Dec. 29 to Jan. 4.

And of course he has some longer-term goals that include a possible spot on the Canada Under 18 squad. And after that, well, there's always room for a run at the Canadian Junior club.

Right now though, he's attempting to take it all in stride.

Asked how he got so wise so soon, Duchene just smiles.

"My father once told me that if I was going to get serious about hockey that I'd have to be two years ahead," says Duchene, who obviously took that advice to heart.

Smart guy, that dad... oh and the son... no slouch either.

Interested fans can follow Matt Duchene and Cody Hodgson on the official Brampton Battalion website located at: <http://www.battalionhockey.com/hm>

Have You Ever Wondered *Why is it that...*

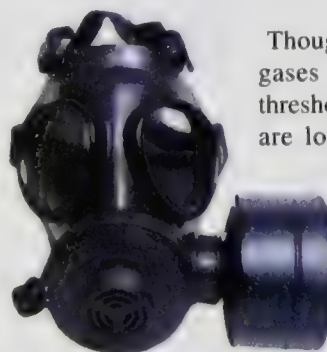


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Though the lethal concentrations for the gases mentioned are extremely low, the thresholds at which they become smellable are lower still. A few lucky souls were accidentally exposed to these lower levels and lived to tell about it, and it's they who reported what the smells are like.

Deliberately exposing human subjects to deadly fumes would be a gross violation of medical ethics.

Lest you find the survivability of toxic gases overly comforting, you should know that the margin between the "odor threshold" and the death threshold is very thin. For example, the "IDLH" (immediate danger to life and health) level for arsine is 6 parts per million, whereas the odor threshold is less than 1 ppm—a difference of five lousy parts.

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The Fair week began Monday and Tuesday at a Junior Fair Day Camp with 37 participants ranging from pre-school to Grade 8. At the camp the exhibitors of the future assembled their crafts and exhibits, receiving information for proper fair exhibiting. All entries were presented for judging at the fair. The children loved the camp and the results of the two days were overwhelming when placed in the exhibit building. This camp will happen again next year on the Monday and Tuesday before the Fair.

The street sale Thursday and Friday in Minden also generated excitement for the Fair, bringing locals and tourists to town. The week progressed with extensive preparation at the Fair grounds. The campers and concessions soon arrived along with the

midway, horses and livestock.

Judging at the Exhibit Hall started at noon on Friday. Competition was much improved with the Junior Fair taking the spotlight. Friday evening hosted the "mutt show" with 13 dogs competing in various classes for a red ribbon. 8:00 p.m.

brought the roar of engines and the Demolition Derby was on! Saturday morning opened at 8:00 a.m. at the Fair Food Booth with peameal on a bun. The proceeds for the Food Booth were up 40% this year. 9:00 a.m. all building and concessions opened and the light and heavy horse show began. This event was an excellent show this year.

Other morning activities were the petting zoo, mini putt, pony rides, goat and sheep, poultry and rabbit displays and sheep shearing. There was also a replicate cow to milk.

The Grand Stand stage was buzzing all day with country music, dancing and even a Tai Chi demonstration. The afternoon was filled with activities, children's games, Checkers the Clown, face painting and the midway. The concession booths were plentiful and busy.

Once again there was a horse pull auction with LeRoy Nesbitt as Auctioneer. The horse pull began mid-afternoon with 8 light teams and 9 heavy teams competing. This was a much higher number of teams from last year. The Kawartha County Drifters kept the crowd bouncing during the evening. The exhibit hall closed at 8:00 p.m. but it was not the end of the day. The Grand Stand was still in motion.

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Crime Flashback

by Max Haines

Macabre doings in Shakespeare country

Come along with me now to Lower Quinton, about nine miles down the road from Stratford, England. As everyone knows, this is Shakespeare country. What is far less known is that the area is steeped in superstition and witchcraft. Here you will be told stories of headless horsemen, of figures that are half man and half beast and of a black dog with luminous eyes who roams the countryside seeking victims.

According to legend, he who gazes upon the black dog is doomed. To this day, it is believed that the close-mouthed inhabitants of the area practise witchcraft.

VALENTINE'S DAY

It was on Valentine's Day, 1945, that it happened. Seventy-four-year-old Charles Walton lived with his niece Edith in Lower Quinton. The old gent was a loner who did odd jobs around the tiny rural community. Because he was known never to part with a pence, Walton was reputed to be moderately well off.

At the time our story unfolds, Walton worked off and on trimming hedges for a local farmer, Albert Potter. On this particular day, as he bade

his niece goodbye at 9 a.m., Walton told her he would return for tea at four o'clock. Walton was a creature of habit. He always returned home at four and made himself a cup of tea when he worked for Potter.

Edith was employed in a nearby factory which manufactured war materials. Uncle and niece parted. Walton made his way to Meon Hill with the aid of his walking stick. He also carried a hay fork and a sickle-shaped slash hook.

That evening, Edith returned home from her job at 6 p.m., fully expecting to find her uncle. Alarmed at not being able to locate the elderly gentleman, she called on a neighbor, Harry Beasley. Together they walked to Albert Potter's house. Potter said that he was pretty sure he had seen Walton from a distance up on Meon Hill shortly after noon. He had assumed it was Walton, but could not positively say it was him.

Darkness fell. With the aid of a flashlight, Potter joined the other two in the trek up Meon Hill. From time to time they called out Walton's name, as they felt that Walton's rheumatic legs may have given out.

Suddenly, Potter stopped short. "Stay there!" he shouted. "Don't come any nearer. You mustn't look at this."

The sight which greeted Potter was not a pleasant one. Walton's throat had been cut with a sickle. More hideous still, his body was held firmly to the ground by the prongs of the hayfork which had been plunged through his neck and into the earth. Walton's killer had slashed a cross into his chest.

Famed detective Robert Fabian of Scotland Yard was called in to lead the investigation. Torontonians may remember Fabian. He was brought to Canada in the summer of 1954 to investigate the riddle of Marion McDowell's abduction.

Unfortunately, Fabian was unable to solve the McDowell case, which remains a mystery to this day.

On the morning of Feb. 15, 1945, the colourful Fabian was at the scene of the crime in Lower Quinton. It didn't take the detective long to find out that he wasn't dealing with an ordinary murder, if any murder can ever be called ordinary.

Local police filled him in on the deep superstitions of the inhabitants. They even provided him with books on the subject.

One such book described the case of an elderly lady, Ann Turner, who had been murdered in 1875 by a young lad. The deed had been done with a hayfork through the neck. The motive for the murder had been the killer's belief that Ann had an "evil eye" which caused animals to die and crops to fail.

Fabian attempted to solicit the help of the locals in the area, but was met with a wall of silence. There were under 500 inhabitants in Lower Quinton, nearby Upper Quinton and Admington. No one had seen or heard anything unusual, nor had anyone seen a stranger. In fact, no one even wanted to talk of the murder.

EVIL SPELLS

The tales of witches and evil spells was initially scoffed at by Fabian. He had investigated and solved scores of murder cases. Witchcraft was a

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phenomenon of years past. Then he heard that a few days earlier, a calf had been found dead in a ditch. Folks said it was an evil omen and the direct result of someone with an evil eye. They talked of little else.

Strange events hounded Fabian. While examining the murder scene, a large black dog ran down Meon Hill past the startled detective. When he told local police officers of the black dog he himself had witnessed, they recounted other tales of terror concerning the black dog. Eerily, within hours of Fabian relating his tale, a police car ran into and killed a black dog in Lower Quinton.

When the locals heard that Fabian had seen the phantom black dog, they ostracized the policeman. Pubs would empty when he entered. Citizens crossed the road when he appeared. Within days, another dead calf was found in the ditch. A dead black dog was found slung over a shrub near where Charles Walton's body had been found.

In order to better understand what he was up against, Fabian pored over all available literature pertaining to the superstitions of the area. Despite the best efforts of Scotland Yard's most famous detective, the murderer of Charles Walton was never apprehended.

As he investigated the background of the area, Fabian grew to respect some of the folklore of the region. He no longer scoffed at the strange tales and firmly believed that covens were meeting in Lower Quinton while the investigation was going on.

In all, Fabian and his assistants took more than 4,000 statements, followed every possible clue, but did not make an arrest.

The detective did find out some strange and unusual facts. One such fact was that, in ancient times, in the month of February, bloodletting festivals took place. Blood was allowed to soak into the ground, supposedly to make the earth fertile.

FERTILITY RITES

A few of the locals who did speak to Fabian claimed that Charles Walton's killing had been a fertility rite.



Fabian was told that the infamous black dog had once appeared 60 years earlier, in 1885, which was within living memory of some of the natives. The dog had been seen on nine consecutive nights by a 14-year-old plowboy as he headed home at night.

On the ninth night, the boy witnessed a headless woman, which everyone agreed was a sign of death. The very next day, the plowboy's sister died.

She had been in the best of health.

After hearing this story, Fabian pored over a book entitled, Folklore, Old Customs and Superstitions in Shakespeare Land. He came across the story of the plowboy in more detail and was startled to read the lad's name - Charles Walton.

Det. Superintendent Robert Fabian died of natural causes in 1978.

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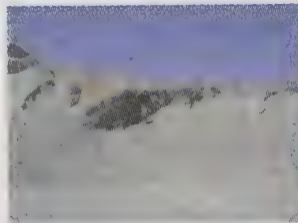
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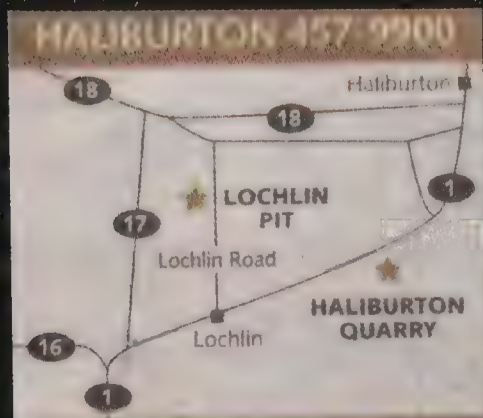
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Weavers & Spinners Fashion Show September 27 in Minden

The Haliburton Weavers & Spinners Guild will be holding a Fashion Show at the Minden Legion on September 23. The show will include garments and accessories created from hand-woven/handspun fibers by local weavers & spinners. A light lunch is included. For more info contact Jean Farrell at 705-286-2843 or Marina Gillanders at 705-489-3574.

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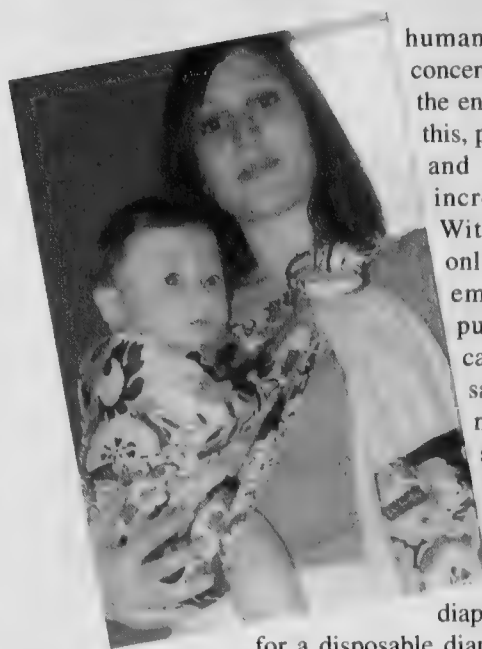
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The birth of a new baby brings so much joy to new parents and for new parents, Heidi Oran & Jay Schiller, they found difficulty in locating some important items to take care of their newborn son Cooper. "I found myself somewhat frustrated that country living had to be associated with "limited selection." With this, Oh Simple Baby was born. "I shop online quite a bit, as I know many people do, and I just woke up one day with the idea to help provide pregnancy, baby items and natural products; basically things I would use for our little guy, to people who can't necessarily run down to the "Urban Specialty Shop" says Heidi, who has started the site and is running it from their home in Eagle Lake. "I have made many purchases from sites of the same niche, but by doing comparison shopping, I found prices quite expensive."

Oh Simple Baby's goal is to bring you high-quality, natural parenting products, at a reasonable price. "Over the past couple of years "Natural parenting" has experienced a resurgence, as

humanity becomes more concerned with our effect on the environment. Because of this, prices for cloth diapers, and natural products are increasing." Heidi says. With the cutting-edge online security measures employed, online purchases using credit cards has become much safer and there is really no reason why people should not take advantage of this simple convenience.

Heidi's primary focus for her website is cloth diapers. "It takes 500 years

for a disposable diaper to decompose, and living where we do, people have a better idea of how much waste we actually produce. When combined with the chemicals used to produce disposable diapers and its affect on our baby's skin, the decision was easy," says Heidi. "When we initially told people we planned to use cloth, a lot of people looked at us like we were crazy, but cloth diapers are not what they used to be. Our parents have visions of diaper pins, plastic pants, and bleach filled diaper pails, but none of these really exist anymore. There are many variations of diapers, and initially I will be selling "Happy Heiny's", which is an "All-In-One", one size diaper, a new product I really believe in. Basically it acts much like a disposable except instead of throwing it in a big hole in the ground, you throw it in the diaper pail. Now with energy efficient washers & dryers, it is not only more economical, but it is both better for baby's skin, and for the environment! It's that simple. The beauty of this is that the diaper fits newborn-to-toddler, so you only have to make one investment to last 2 or 3 years, and for parents who plan to have more than one child, the savings are exponential!" There are still many skeptics of cloth diapering, but for Heidi and Jay, it is one simple way that they can reduce the amount of waste in our landfills. The average baby goes through approximately 7000 disposable diapers. "I do appreciate the convenience of disposables on the go, since we can't take our washing machine with us, but we are only traveling a fraction of the time".

As well as cloth diapers, Heidi contacted a few friends that she thought may be interested in adding their products to her website. Many in this area are familiar with Stacy Pietryszyn's "Touch of

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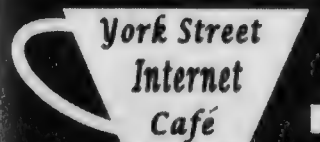
Nature" product line, featuring all natural and many vegan-friendly items for Mom & Baby, such as All-Natural Wipe Solution. Paula Seguin, of Windsor, created "Bella Lulu Baby," making baby carrying Slings, Blankets, Bibs, and custom made Tutu's, "The slings are one of my favourite products, and I have yet to see anyone in this area using them!" says Heidi. Oh Simple Baby will also carry a line of handmade greeting cards for those tired of mass-produced, typical cliché cards. "Notes-by-Nadine" are custom-made by Nadine Carpenter, originally from Midland, and will be available in singles, packs of 6, and custom orders will be available as well.

Heidi intends to expand her line-up gradually and incorporate many valuable links for new moms and those interested in thinking in natural terms. Oh Simple Baby will have a gift registry available for expectant mothers and offers quick shipping options and even local delivery. The website launches officially on October 1st, and you can find it at <http://www.ohsimplebaby.com> or email Heidi for



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Meet The Artist September 8th

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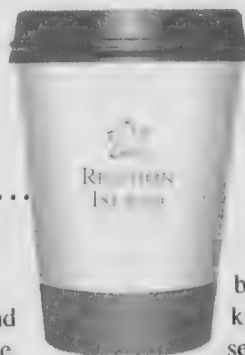
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As a company, Reunion Island Coffee has a history of community-based support of local charities. This is a tradition that they are proud to bring to Haliburton and the surrounding region. "We are inviting local registered charities to contact Doug for donations of coffee and equipment loans for their community events." Already, the company is sponsoring the Alzheimer Society's Coffee Break™ 2007, scheduled for this September. For more information

about this event, visit Harvest Bulk & Health Food or the organization's website at www.alzheimerptbo.com.

If you would like to sample some of these products, Doug has already found new clients in Haliburton and

Minden – so head to Kozy Korner Restaurant in Haliburton, Gravity Coffee House in Minden, and Harvest

Bulk in Haliburton and have a cup of java. If you own a business or resort and would like a sample, be sure to contact Doug – he would be more than happy to pop by and introduce you to a new taste.

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and supplies for your business or to request support for your next charitable event, please contact Doug West at (705) 754-9467 or email ricoffee@sympatico.ca and visit the company's recently updated website at www.reunionislandcoffee.com.

Background on Reunion Island Coffee Limited

Reunion Island Coffee was founded in 1996. Its president, Peter Pesce, is a past Chairman of the Coffee Association of Canada and has played a key role in the development of the national specialty coffee market. In a recent feature article, the Toronto Star referred to Peter as "reputedly the best 'cupper' in Canada... Not only is Pesce a cupper (taster) par excellence, he is a walking encyclopedia of coffee facts, figures and esoterica."



Peter's reputation is the result of over three decades experience sourcing, blending and roasting coffee for the high-end foodservice market. Building on this foundation, Reunion Island has expanded to serve the unique needs of hotel, retail and office coffee service operators.

The company has cultivated loyalty through consistency, flexibility, quick turnaround and virtually limitless variety. Their team of sales, marketing and operations professionals have decades of industry experience, allowing them to offer value-added services that secure long-term partnerships.

Meet Peter Pesce – One of the first in the industry to start importing specialty coffees

Peter Pesce, president of Oakville-based Reunion Island Coffee, is one of Canada's best-known authorities on all things coffee. He has developed blends for many major Canadian coffee retailers, and has served as Chairman of the Coffee Association of Canada. He has appeared in numerous TV, radio and print stories, including CBC's Marketplace and the Toronto Star.

Peter was one of the first in the industry to start importing specialty coffees, helping to revolutionize the Canadian coffee market. Importing high quality coffees and putting them through frequent rigorous taste tests became his forte and developed his reputation in the industry.

To Peter, a good coffee is "a matter of taste ... but one must start with premium quality high grown coffees that are roasted under strict quality assurance procedures."

Today, Peter is one of Canada's most trusted sources for reliable information on coffee and the billion-dollar industry that surrounds it.

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Lights, Camera, Action!

The first annual Haliburton International Film Festival is a go! The festival will be held October 19, 20 and 21st at the Molou Theatre in Haliburton Village. Over the course of its 3-day run – audiences have the opportunity to travel to the four corners of the world through film. A total of 8 outstanding Canadian and International movies will be presented.

The festival begins on Friday night at 7:00 pm with the screening of “Who Loves the Sun”, a Canadian comedy/drama about family secrets, betrayal and forgiveness – all played out at the family cottage – The perfect film to open a Haliburton film festival. Later the same evening, the tragic life of singer Edith Piaf will be played out in the French film “La Vie En Rose”.

Saturday’s line up of films includes the afternoon screening of Deepa Mehta’s hauntingly beautiful “Water”, set in India, and later, the poignant Italian classic, “Nuovo Cinema Paradiso”. There will be a short break over the super hour until 7:00 pm when the Spanish whimsical drama “Volver”, starring Penelope Cruz, opens the evening. The last film of the day is the bizarre and outrageously funny “Fido”, a satirical comedy/horror starring Billy Connolly.

Sunday opens with the Australian drama “Rabbit Proof Fence”. This award-winning film is based on the true story of three young native girls and their 1500-mile trek across the Outback. “The 11th Hour”, is tentatively scheduled as the last movie of the festival. First screened at the 2007 Cannes Film Festival, The 11th Hour,

produced and directed by Leonardo DiCaprio, is a fascinating documentary concerning serious issues facing our planet.

“Those Other Movies”, a non-profit organization and participant in the Toronto International Film Festival’s Film Circuit Group, is the organizer of the Haliburton International Film Festival. Buoyed by the success of their first season bringing film festival quality movies to Haliburton, the “Those Other Movies” committee realized that Haliburton was indeed ready for its own film festival. The committee is thrilled with the community support that they have already received. Thirteen area businesses have signed up as Film Festival sponsors. The “Those Other Movie” committee members are also extremely grateful to Lou and Molly Consky, owners of the Molou Theatre and are pleased to dedicate Haliburton’s first film festival weekend to them. View the World’s Best from the Highlands!

Film Festival Passes may be purchased at The Agnes Jamison Gallery in Minden www.minden.on.ca/GM and at The Rails End Gallery in Haliburton www.railsendgallery.com. Passes are \$65.00 each (\$50.00 for “Those Other Movies” Season Pass Holders) and are good for admission to all 8 films. A limited number of individual movie tickets may be available at the door before the start of each movie. They will be sold as rush tickets for \$10 each.

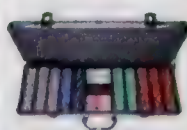
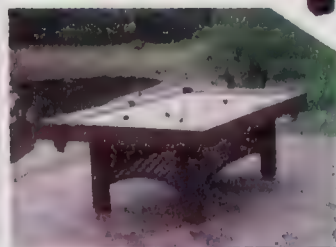
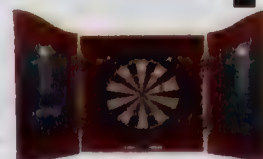
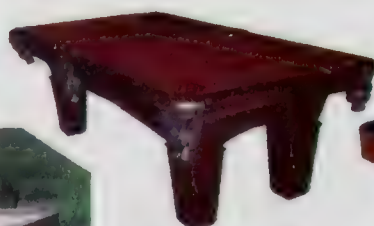
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The Disney Channel Films In Haliburton

Local Video Group To Help Out

The Disney Channel is coming to Haliburton to film a TV movie *Camp Rock*, and they have been looking for paid extras, between the ages of 18 and 40. They've been searching locally for young-looking 18-21 year olds, but those up to 40 will also be needed. Open auditions were held at the Haliburton United Church on Thursday, August



23, and Monday, August 27 between 12:30 and 4:30pm. Dancing, singing or other talents will help those who auditioned,

but were not absolutely necessary.

Saha Lacy 17 was one of the local young hopefuls who were trying out. She has been with Haliburton Dance Arts, and performed with Dusk Dances for the last two years. "They had us fill out forms, and then they took a picture of us holding up a number. We then had to dance an impromptu in front of a video camera," she said. "I don't know how well I did. I guess I could have done better."

Jocelyn Regina was another local talent who was trying out for the Disney movie. Jocelyn has done a lot of ballet training, as well as tap dancing and Jazz. She has been in Dusk Dances as well as many local musical theatre productions, such as *The Perilous Pirates Daughter*, *The Sound of Music*, *The Fantasticks* and the recent *Last of The Great White Pine*. A seasoned veteran, she was non-plussed about the audition. "They just want to see if you're comfortable (in front of a camera), and how you're moving, so it went OK."

Camp Rock centres on a teen girl who desperately wants to spend her summer at a prestigious rock camp, but can only attend if she works in the kitchen, as one of the cooks. When she's overheard singing (but not seen), by a teen pop star at the camp, he is completely taken, and sets out to find the girl with the beautiful voice. But first she must confront her fears, step out of the kitchen and into the spotlight.

Filming will take place at Camp Wanakita on September 10 - 14, and Camp Kilcoo on September 17 - 28.

Highlands Media Arts (HMA) is working with the Disney

Channel to secure locations, crew and anything else they are looking for. HMA is a group working out of the



Cultural Centre in Minden, and they specialize in digital media, with an emphasis on video. They are the umbrella organization that is responsible for Those Other Movies, and at the present time are working on a documentary which focuses on the making of Michael Fay's *The Last Of The Great White Pine*. Tammy Rae, who is the Chairperson for HMA, has been hired by Disney to help them source locations, talent and crew. Other members of HMA are George Farrell, Michael Fay, Laurie Camount, Carol Moffatt and Eric Lilius. "This is a wonderful opportunity for the whole county," says Tammy Rae, "let's make them welcome."

Keep an eye on the Communicator for ongoing news, pics and info' on *Camp Rock*.

Pictured: The Disney Crew auditions local talent; Sara Lacy and Jocelyn Regina, both auditioned for Disney





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Where are they NOW *Hollywood Stars Gone Missing*

Kristy McNichol

Name: Kristy McNichol

Birth Name: Christina Ann McNichol

Born: September 11, 1962, Los Angeles.

Claim to Fame: I'd have to say that Kristy's big break and probably the one she is most noted for is as Buddy in the ABC series "Family". Another role that she is well-remembered for is that of Angel in the feature film, "Little Darlings" co-starring Tatum O'Neal and Matt Dillion.

She was also a regular on "Empty Nest."

Family Life: Her brother is Jimmy McNichol. Her father is

Scottish and her mother is either of Palestinian or Lebanese descent (not sure which).

Her siblings are, Jimmy (older) and Tommy (younger) and an adopted half-sister, Jennifer.

Info: Kristy began her career with guest appearances on various TV series like "Starsky and Hutch" and "The Bionic Woman." But her first stint as a series regular came with the role of Patricia Apple in "Apple's Way" in 1974.

The following year she was cast as Buddy Lawrence in "Family,"

for which the actress earned Emmy Awards for Best Supporting Actress in a Dramatic Series in 1976 and 1978.

Where Is She Now? Plagued by an anxiety disorder, Kristy retired from acting several years ago. She lives on the money she earned from TV and films.

"She didn't want the pressure of celebrity — it didn't agree with her," says a friend and former publicist Max Green.

She went to school to become a beautician, but I believe she only did hair for a little while. Rumor is she teaches acting at a private school in Los Angeles.



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The Arts in Education is Important and Haliburton Branch of RBC Dominion Securities Recognizes and Helps By Tripling Their Investment in Arts Education...

How do you make an investment of \$4,000 in arts education triple in size? Beth Tuck, Investment Counselor of the Haliburton Branch of RBC Dominion Securities has found the way to accomplish this feat.

In July, Tuck delivered a donation \$4,000 from RBC Dominion Securities to launch the campaign for the Arts Education Partnership Initiative in Haliburton County—a partnership formed by Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands, the Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre and the Agnes Jamieson Gallery. A special fund announced by the Ontario government in 2006 will match RBC Dominion Securities' donation with a contribution to the partnership of an additional \$8,000.

Haliburton County partners chosen as one of 119 organizations in Ontario to have access to matching funding...

In 2006, the Province of Ontario, through the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Culture, established a fund that would provide two dollars of matching funding for arts education programs for every dollar raised in the private sector. Gaining access to this fund was a competitive process. The Ontario Arts Foundation was given the task of choosing a select number of organizations that would be eligible for matching funding. The Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands, the Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre and the Agnes Jamieson Gallery partnered to apply for matching funding for an Arts Education Partnership Initiative in Haliburton County. In May 2007, they received the news that their partnership was chosen as one of 119 organizations across Ontario to have access to the matching funding.

The local partnership is eligible to receive up to \$20,000 in matching funding from the government to be used over two years. For each dollar donated by the private sector the Ontario government will contribute two dollars.

"We are absolutely delighted to be involved as a sponsor of this initiative," Tuck announced at a reception at the Rails End Gallery, "Helping children to be successful and to stay in school is a focus for RBC. This program combines a whole variety of attributes that get kids excited about learning. It gives them an opportunity to work with

"The Ontario government is investing in arts education to ensure the success of our students," said Minister of Culture Di Cocco. "Arts education is a necessity and raises academic achievement in all areas."

"An arts education makes a big difference in helping children excel intellectually, physically and emotionally," said Minister of Education Kathleen Wynne. "By studying the arts — such as dance, drama, music, and media and visual arts — students learn to work more effectively with others and think more creatively and critically."

interesting and creative people from their own community, it combines artistic explorations with other parts of the curriculum and it provides opportunities for them to learn new skills and discover their own talents."

"It shows what can be accomplished when organizations and businesses work together to build a vibrant community," responded Barb Bolin, Chair of the Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands as she accepted the cheque on behalf of the partnership. "Our thanks go to you, Beth, and to RBC Dominion Securities for your inspired support."

Laurie Scott, MPP of Victoria-Haliburton-Brock extended her congratulations to the local partnership for their creative efforts to enhance arts education. Scott will be visiting the Rails End Gallery on Thursday, July 19 to extend her congratulations in person.

This funding will allow the Arts Council to expand its Artists-in-the-Schools program into all of the elementary schools in Haliburton County and will support the Rails End Gallery and the Agnes Jamieson Gallery (as part of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre) to enhance programming that they make available to the schools. It will also provide funding assistance for transportation for classes to visit cultural institutions in the County and provide information about arts, culture and heritage resources to teachers throughout the County.

You Can Donate....

To receive the \$20,000 of matching funding, the partnership must raise \$10,000 from non-government sources. Eligible donors include individuals, businesses, and not-for-profit organizations. The partners are launching a campaign to raise these funds over the next few months.

As a registered charity, the Haliburton Highlands Guild of Fine Arts is receiving donations in trust for the Arts Education Partnership Initiative. Funds raised and the matching funds contributed by the Province of Ontario will be distributed among the partners for their part of the initiative. Donors will receive a charitable tax receipt. Donation dollars will be tripled with the matching funding from the government.

For more information about making a donation you can contact the Rails End Gallery, 457-2330, the Arts Council 457-3555 or the Agnes Jamieson Gallery 286-3763.

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Village Court Donuts and Café

New Ownership for local Eatery

by George Farrell

It's not many 21 year olds that can boast ownership of a business, but such is the case with Shannon Cole, who now is the proud owner of her very own restaurant. What was formerly Village Court Donuts in Haliburton, now has a Café added to it's name; and with that change comes a change in philosophy for the popular eatery. But first a little background on the new owner.

Shannon was born and raised in Markham. Summers were spent at the family cottage in the Haliburton Forest. In 2000, Glenn and Heather Cole, along with Shannon, and younger brother Matthew 17, moved up permanently to the Highlands.

Shannon graduated from the local high school in Haliburton, and then went to Sudbury, where she enrolled in the Hospitality Services, and Hotel and Restaurant Management Courses, at Cambrian College. Upon graduation from college she moved back home and was employed at the Pinestone, and subsequently, from February until August of this year at Axis Pharmacy.

On August the 1st Shannon took over as sole owner of Village Court Donuts.

Whoa there Nelly! Moving fast is one thing, but from course

graduation to ownership so quickly? Must be some kind of local record. Of course it couldn't have happened without some assistance, and Shannon points out that she has the financial backing of not just her parents, but also of family friends and former employers, Amin and Rosemary Shivji. They own the aforementioned pharmacy, also located in the Village Court Plaza,

next door to Shannon's new business. "But the restaurant is in my name, and I'm registered as the sole owner and operator," says Shannon. After her short stints as an employee at Sir Sam's, the Pinestone and Axis Pharmacy, Shannon saw the advantages of ownership.

Village Court Donuts was previously owned by Stuart and Melissa Tilling, who also own and operate the Cod Father Fish and Chips restaurant in Haliburton, and their focus changed to concentrate on their new business. The donut shop was in need of new

ownership. When the opportunity presented itself, Shannon was prepared to take the plunge. "It has potential, and there's not another donut shop in Haliburton," she exclaims. Of course she wants to put her own stamp on her new establishment and there will be some changes to the menu. Shannon says that the new menu is "a work in progress and not completely set yet," but a bit of prompting gets her to reveal that the menu will have the additions of chicken quesadillas and a New York style cheese cake. There will also be the comfort food favourites of home made soups, stews and chili. "The rest of the menu will consist of the same basic foods that people have been used to," she assures. "Everything is made on site, except the donuts, which come in fresh early every morning from Oshawa".

The Village Court Donut and Café clientele is a mixed bag. In the early morning there is the usual rush of contractors and Hydro workers eager for their first cups of coffee. After that the seniors start to come in for breakfast, some of them waiting for their prescriptions from the nearby pharmacy. At lunch time there is a good mix of people; from high-schoolers to tourists, and in the afternoons it's back to the seniors again, some of whom come in somewhat later than the regular lunch time crowd. Shannon has recognized that trend, and is making the changes to accommodate "late lunchers," or those who might want an early supper.

"I'm extending the kitchen hours," states Shannon. "From now on kitchen hours will be extended to 4 pm from Monday to



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Saturdays, up from the previous 2pm kitchen closing. On Sunday the kitchen will be open until 3 pm. Of course there will still be sandwiches, pastries, donuts and drinks available after the kitchen



is closed. Many people just want a snack in the late afternoon, and a location to meet with friends over a coffee and dessert. The cheesecake, along with a bottomless cup of coffee

Shannon hopes, will appeal to that demographic. "I just want to make the changes that will serve the community better," she says, obviously remembering her lessons in marketing, and giving the people what they want.

Another change in the restaurant will be the addition of table service. Previously there was only counter service. This is a change Shannon has identified as a customer preference, and she says she will find out more about what her customers want by asking them to fill out a comment and suggestions card.

Shannon sees her biggest challenge as increasing her patronage, but it's not like she's depending on her employees to do all the work, as she realizes that to run a successful business, there's a lot of initial hands-on. "I do all the ordering, and scheduling, and I work on the line with the girls serving customers, and I do everything that they do. Sometimes I'm here at 5:30, sometimes later, it all depends on what needs to be done," she says. At the present time the restaurant employs 8 full time and part time employees, "and we're looking for more," Shannon mentions, for those who might be interested in a position.

"I just want us to be known for the politeness of our girls, the speed of service and the quality of our food," she says as a closing statement. Sounds like a recipe for success.

The Village Court Donuts and Café is located in the Village Court Plaza on Maple Avenue in Haliburton, opposite Emerson Lumber. Hours of operation are 6 am to 6 pm, Monday to Saturday, and on Sunday from 7 am to 4 pm. The telephone number is 457-3958.

Pictured: Shannon Cole and employee Amy Reid at the counter

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There will be prizes for the best poker hand and raffles at the dinner which follows the ride at the Stanhope Firehall. Because of the huge success of last year's ATV Poker Run, the Stanhope Firefighter's are happy to be offering this event again and look forward to your calls as more information is posted around the area in the weeks to come.

Please pre-register no later than September 21st by contacting Keith at 705-489-3548 evenings, 705-489-2711 days, or contact Renzo at 705-489-1963 evenings.

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Profiles on People in Haliburton County

Meet Adrian Martin

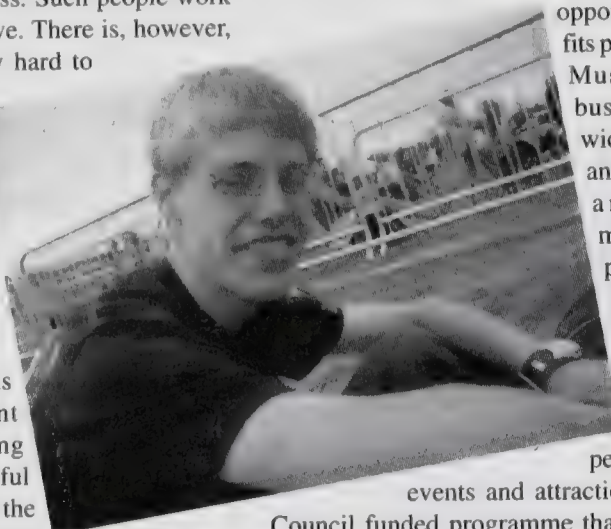
by Tyson Farrell

Another in a series of columns featuring youth in our County.

The Highlands has an amazingly active art scene. Artists, musicians, curators, and studio owners labour tirelessly to make art in our county a success. Such people work hard, and deserve the praise that they receive. There is, however, another group of people that work equally hard to ensure the success of local art, yet receive a fraction of the attention. These are the people that sit in offices, and on councils, doing paperwork and planning events. Without their logistical support and planning, it is very likely that the local art scene would collapse. These people work endlessly to help lead the local art scene. Adrian Martin is one of these people.

Adrian's lair is an office deep in the bowels of the Haliburton County Development Corporation. There, surrounded by filing cabinets and pie charts, and under the watchful eye of Jim Blake, he quietly helps to plot the future of local art. He works for both the Haliburton Sculpture Forest and the Haliburton Highlands Arts Council as their Summer Programme Coordinator. It is an important

job to rest on the shoulders of a 19 year old such as Adrian, but he is equal to the task. "I am currently a first year student at the University of Western Ontario. This job is an incredible opportunity for a first year student and fits perfectly into my degree. I am taking Music Administrative studies, a business course geared towards a wide range of jobs within the music and arts industry. This job contains a mix of arts with the administration, marketing, and business, which is perfect for what I'm studying."



One of Adrian's main duties as Coordinator is to run the popular Art in the Street, a programme designed to bring local artists into the public eye and give people information on upcoming arts

events and attractions. "Art in the Street is an Arts Council funded programme that runs during the summer. It is a series of artistic demonstrations every Wednesday in downtown Haliburton and at special events throughout the county," explains Adrian. "We usually feature an artist and their work, which helps give people a taste of what the Highlands have to offer. Since there is such a wide variety of art in the county, we deal with a wide selection of artists and mediums. We've worked with local painters such as Erin Lynch, potters such as Grahame Wales, and even glassblowers like Terry Craig."

To most people, it would appear as though Art in the Street involves simply pitching a tent and filling it with local art and information. However, there is a great deal of 'behind the scenes' work that needs to be done. For each event Adrian helps to organize with the Arts Council, hours of paperwork need to be done. "Book keeping, filing, statistics, charts, brochures... they are all a big part of my job," says Adrian. "A lot of people assume that the local art scene is built only in the studios of artists. That's where the paintings are painted, the sculptures are sculpted, and where the art is created. It is the most important part of the process, but a strong infrastructure is also needed to help support and promote artists. That kind of

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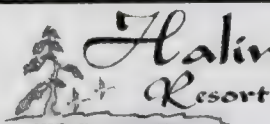
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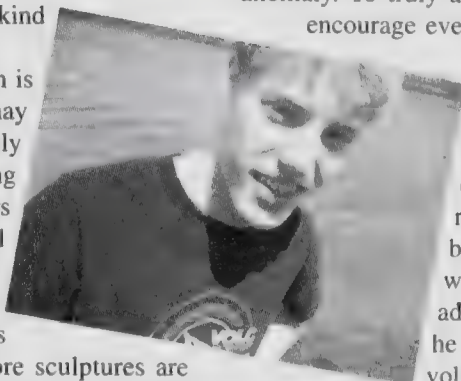
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work very often happens in an office." That kind of work is done by Adrian.

When he does get out of the office, Adrian is often in the Sculpture Forest. For those that may not know, the Sculpture Forest is a beautifully wooded part of Glebe Park, near the Fleming College campus. A series of trails lead visitors through woods that are filled with unique and amazing sculptures. There are sculptures of stone women, iron moose, and concrete beavers, to name but a few. The Forest has existed for several years, and each year more sculptures are added. This summer, the Forest has become a workplace for Adrian. "My first task with the Sculpture Forest was to organize a familiarity tour for members of the business, media, and government communities. The familiarity tour let business owners have a personal experience with the Forest, showing them what a great place the Sculpture Forest is," he says. "Now, I lead free guided tours Tuesdays at 10am. Anybody is welcome to come on these tours. If there is a group of people that would like to have a tour at a different time, its fine with me. I am only too happy to show



people around." Aside from providing tours through the Forest, Adrian is also helping to expand it. "I helped construct the newest sculpture in the Sculpture Forest, called Shelter/Shift 07 by artist Phillip Vander Weg," he says. "It's a fun and colourful piece of work that seems to defy the laws of physics. It's an architectural anomaly. To truly appreciate it you have to go see it, which I encourage everybody to do."

Adrian also played a large role in this year's Dusk Dances. He may not have been dancing in the park, but he was working furiously none the less. From his office he led a blitzkrieg of promotion. He dispatched advertising to radio stations and newspapers, designed brochures, and was frequently on the phone with the dance company and potential advertisers. When the event finally happened he donned the stunning orange Dusk Dances' volunteer shirt, and worked late into the night.

When one learns about all of the work Adrian does, one realizes that the art community owes a great deal to people that often aren't even artists. People are needed to sit behind desks and crunch numbers, to organize events, and to increase public awareness. These people may never pick up a paintbrush or a musical instrument, but without them the local art scene would be a far weaker thing.



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by Lynne Kilby

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Kinmount Fair, Aug. 31, Sept. 1 & 2

Are you ready? Its back! Kinmount Fair is knocking on your door just waiting to lavish you with the experience of a fair like no other. The extravaganza, sponsored by the Kinmount Agricultural Society, begins tonight with preliminary events, a Monster Bingo and a Kid's Tractor Pull and will burst into full swing Friday, Children's Day, through Sunday this Labour Day weekend. The Warrior's Day Parade, on Saturday at noon, features a special "We Support Our Troops" theme.

Aug. 29 to Sept. 2 – Treat yourself to a scrumptious breakfast at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 441, served by the Ladies Auxiliary from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Sept 9 to 15 – Various events are sponsored by the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 441, to celebrate Legion Week. All welcome. Call 488-3462 for details.

Sept. 15 – Drop by the Friends of the Library Book Sale, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., downstairs at the library. You never know what treasures you may discover and at reasonable prices too!

Sept. 15 – Warren Fountain Memorial Ball Tournament at St. Patrick's Field – This is an Old-timers (ages 35 +) fastball tournament. Cost to register a team is \$100.00. All proceeds go to Kinmount Minor Sports. Rain date Sept. 22. Call 488-2211 or 488-2123 for more info.

Sept. 29 – This fun filled ATV Poker Run event is sponsored by Kinmount Community Centre Board of Management. Call 488-9954 for info.

Oct. 11 – Kinmount Seniors Group sponsors a bi-monthly trip to Casino Rama on the 2nd Thursday of the month. The bus leaves from the legion parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Enjoy a free lunch while you're there. Return time is approximately 4:00 p.m. Bus cost is \$5.00. All welcome. To reserve your spot call Theresa at 488-1119.

Local groups & activities beginning their annual season in September include:

Kinmount Playschool invites parents/caregivers with pre-school children to meet for playtime, story time, crafts and snacks on Wednesday mornings beginning Sept. 5, from 10:00 a.m. till noon at Kinmount Community Centre. Call 488-1362 for more info.

Kinmount Public Library is "Calling all Tweens & Teens" to the new Teen Zone Area coming soon! Teen artists are needed to help decorate the area. As well, a new Tweens & Teens Club held every other Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. begins Sept. 11. Come out to enjoy crafts, munchies and more.

A preschool children's library program with story and craft will be held alternate Thursday mornings at 10:30 a.m. beginning Sept. 13. To enquire about these programs call 488-3199.

Ontario Early Years Mobile Outreach Program visits Kinmount Community Centre from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. every Monday, providing a full program for young children, parental/caregiver support and information and free lunch, beginning Monday, Sept. 17. Call 324-7900 for info.

Every Monday night the Kinmount Community Centre will be filled with girls of the 1st Kinmount Unit of Sparks, Brownies, Guides & Pathfinders enjoying fun, friendship and adventure. Registration night and their first meeting for the season is Sept. 17, from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. No girl will be refused for lack of funds. For more information call 488-2919.

If you are you interested in low impact yoga evening classes, please call Janet at 488-2067.

Other ongoing events through September are:

Seniors Cards: Pot luck lunch at 12:30 p.m. on Mondays followed by bid euchre at 1:00 p.m. and euchre Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. upstairs at the Royal Canadian Legion. All welcome.

Model Train Display featured every Saturday & Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Railroad Station. For information call 705-488-1574

Weekly Bingo: Friday nights at 7:00 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion.

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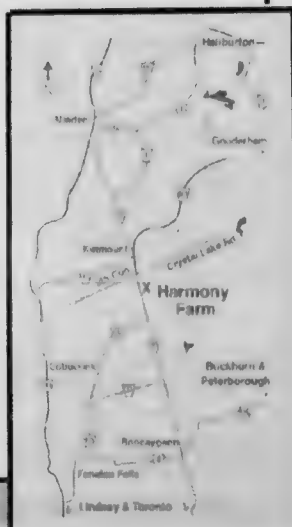
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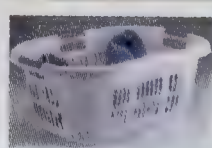
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Minden Hills Gives Birth to its Newest Church

By Marianne Fraser Smith

The Community Center was alive with excitement on Sunday Aug. 5, 2007 as over 60 people of all ages gathered to celebrate the formation Minden's newest church named "Highland Lakes Community Church". The core group chose the name "Highland Lakes" because it identifies with, and reflects the total area from which it hopes to draw people. The word "community" reflects their desire to make the church a place for everyone. The newly formed church wants to serve the community in practical ways, as well as reach out to people with the love of Jesus and the good news of salvation and new life through Him by His grace. Highland Lakes Community Church, at present, is a non-denominational Christian evangelical group. The style of service is contemporary and casual because it wants to be a church that reaches out to all generations in the 21st century. "HLCC" desires to be a church where people are real, where biblical teaching is relevant to our lives and to our times – a church where people can find hope, encouragement, and inspiration to carry on with their lives.

Pastor Ron said, "We envision a church that is not about legalism, pressure to conform to a certain look, or be perfect, but rather is about cultivating a genuine, "be yourself" environment. We are trusting that this will assist individuals on a spiritual journey towards having a meaningful relationship with God, through Jesus Christ. We are taking the perspective that the church paradigm is in need of a fundamental repositioning of its life and ministry - into the context of its community and surrounding culture. Our aim is to be a community-centered church, not just to be known as a church that meets at a 'community centre.' I am excited about our leadership team and its members. They are energetic, resourceful and visionary. I have been blessed."

Pastor Ron Mahler and his wife Elaine along with their two young children, Cassidy and Dakota, have been living in Haliburton County for the past 4 years.

Ron is now very busy working on seminary courses, and is nearing the completion of a Master of Theology degree, and has felt called to lead this new church even while finishing his program. He has been in ministry for over ten years, and has functioned in both youth and senior pastoral roles, as well, he has been an interim pastor in several churches. He is known throughout the community as a gifted communicator and bible teacher who is passionate about seeing God's kingdom grow and people finding hope and direction, and encouragement to go on in this troubled world.



Some of the interesting topics he has spoken about or will address in future are: "is the church relevant today?", "Can God Heal my Hurts?", "Forgiveness", "The Human Quest for Truth."

Elaine Mahler is currently working part time as a Server at the "Domain of Killian". She has a real love for people and enjoys working with the public in this way. Elaine helps lead the church's music team. The music ministry is wide-open, in that guest musicians, have, and will, participate in the future. The goal is to expand the music team using some of the known talented young people in the county.

The church will continue to meet every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in the Hindon Room of the Minden Hills Community Center. A warm welcome is extended to everyone young and old alike.

The church offers an effective, well-supervised children's program that meets in a separate room at the community center at the same time as the adult program. Their program consists of stories, music, crafts, videos, and snacks.

Pastor Ron spoke enthusiastically, "In the near future—we hope to introduce seeker-oriented cell group studies such as "Christianity Explored" to introduce people to the basis of the Christian faith. We will also seek to engage and serve the needs the community of Minden Hills

"We want people to come and check us out for themselves", said Don Smith, one of the leaders of the new church. "We think when people experience the friendly atmosphere and interesting service, they will want to come back!"

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"Thanks for your cooperation, Mr. Carter," said Inspector Walker calmly. "I'm sure it will help us clear up Mr. Clayton's death." Harold Carter grunted. He was seated across from Walker in an interrogation room at Royston Police headquarters. A tall, wiry man in his late twenties, Carter stared at the inspector with dark, weary eyes. He wore a brown leather jacket, leather pants, and a yellow T-shirt. "I understand the officers who picked you up last night told you that Mr. Clayton was found shot to death in an outdoor basketball court downtown, just a few blocks from you," Walker remarked. "In the direction you were running from."

"Yeah, they did."

"He was your parole officer, wasn't he? Haven't you been out for five months after serving four years for armed robbery?"

"Yeah."

"And you told the officers you were on your way to meet him."

"Yeah, but at his office, not in any hoops court."

"I see." Walker looked thoughtful. "Which of you made the appointment?"

"He did."

"For eleven at night? Why?"

"For quarter past. He did that sometimes just to show who was boss. He phoned me that morning and said we had to discuss a serious problem, and that I'd better be there. Didn't say what the problem was."

"Why were you running?"

"I was late. He didn't like to be kept waiting. I meant to leave my place at eleven, but I was watching that new hospital drama on TV, and kind of lost track of time. I had just rushed out when your cops picked me up."

"Had you fallen asleep?"

"No."

"You didn't like Clayton much, did you?"

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Carter smirked. "He was my PO. Nobody likes their PO."

Walker stood up and smiled.

"No, I suppose not," he said. "Don't leave the city. We may need you as a material witness."

The next morning, Stanwick sauntered in to Walker's office. With the familiarity of an old friend and a frequent visitor, he helped himself to a chair.

"Top of the morning, Matt!" he exclaimed. "And a happy Friday to you."

"Same to you, Tom." Walker smiled and leaned back in his chair. "What brings you to town?"

"Nothing less than my biennial plunge into the bitter, murky waters

of the state bureaucracy," Stanwick replied. "It's time to renew my driver's license. I'll use it this weekend to drive north and look at some October foliage."

"I may take the family for a foliage drive next weekend. This weekend, it's time to clean out the gutters."

"First things first. Good man. Got anything interesting on hand this morning?"

"A parole officer named John Clayton, age 49, was shot dead in an outdoor basketball court Wednesday night. An elderly neighbor, who has an apartment in an adjacent building, called it in." Walker referred to a page of notes. "He said he'd been watching the eleven o'clock news when he heard the shot, looked out the window, and saw the dark outline of someone running from the court. A nearby patrol car responded, and just a few blocks from the court stopped a fellow named Carter running from that direction." Walker then described his interrogation of Carter from the previous day.

"How does his alibi check out?" asked Stanwick, idly fingering the tip of his droopy mustache.

"Well, my wife says the hospital drama was on one of the TV networks that night. And he was picked up between his apartment and Clayton's office. There was no sign that Clayton had been in his office that evening, but that doesn't mean he didn't make the appointment with Carter."

"Did Carter have a gun?"

"No. We found the gun, wiped clean, in an alley along what would be Carter's flight route. Ballistics has confirmed it as the murder weapon."

"Interesting." Stanwick thought for a moment. "How about a motive for the murder?"

"We don't know yet." Walker lowered his voice. "Clayton had been suspected of dabbling in drugs or fencing on the side, but we had no evidence that could bring an indictment. He may have threatened or blackmailed Carter or one of his other parolees."

"Well, there must have been some such connection." Stanwick straightened up in his chair and leaned forward. "Carter is lying."

HOW DOES STANWICK KNOW THAT CARTER IS LYING?

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Richard started in the construction siding business, and in 1981 he started his own business in that field. By 1989 he had become involved with the BIBS system of insulation. He quickly realized where his future lay, and he hasn't looked back since. Business is booming, because in these days of environmental awareness and rising energy costs, insulation efficiency in the home and in the workplace just makes so much sense. "It's such an energy efficient system that people are sold on it right away," Richard begins.

"Building inspectors love it because it takes away the risk of cold spots and mold, because it fills up the entire cavity, (in between wall joists) as opposed to batts which are the most inefficient insulation system allowed in Canada," he says rather surprisingly.

"People are looking for savings in energy costs and this does it for them."

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So increased insulation efficiency, which translates to less hydro usage in both the colder and hotter months, will be essential to cost-conscious Canadians in the coming years.

But just how much more effective is the BIBS system offered locally by Thermo Seal than the insulation offered by those pink batts that most people are familiar with? Well, The Canadian Construction Material Centre, a government organization, which is a part of the National Research

Centre, says that their tests show them that using the BIBS system in a 2"x6" wall gives you an insulation factor of R23. Contrast that to their findings which show that the traditional R20 batts give an insulation factor of only R12.5. That translates to a 30% to 50% savings on your heating and cooling costs.

Unlike batts which you can install yourself, the BIBS system requires experienced technicians. That, and the fact that it's blown in at 3 times the density of the batts, means that there's an initial installation fee for consumers that can run up to 50% higher than traditional insulation systems. However, those costs are recouped within 3 years due to the increased efficiency. "Depending on the construction of the house the heating bill can be cut in half," Richard enthuses.

"We also do the polyurethane foam-spray insulation as well," he says. "It's good in certain applications such as floor insulation and in crawl spaces. It's a soya-based foam product which is environmentally friendly. Thermo Seal is doing everything it can in regards to the environment," Richard reveals, "and the soya foam has an added bonus inasmuch as rodents seem to be repelled by it."

Richard Clement started Thermo Seal Insulation Systems in Huntsville, where the business is located, and the area where Richard resides. In 1989 the outfit employed just 4 people. "Today we employ 35, he declares. We have a large office and warehouse complex and our expansion is just about complete. In the future the energy requirements for homes regarding R value will increase



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due to government regulations. They're looking at a 30% increase in efficiency across the board and our product is part of that movement. So we see an increase in our business as the nearly 50 year regime of the fibre glass batts nears it's end. We've been working in the Highlands for a number of years now, and our intent is to have a sales office, warehouse and insulation crews located here to service the Haliburton/Kawartha area in the next year or two. It all depends on Brian," he laughs, providing a perfect segue for the introduction of Bryan Spencer.

Bryan is the Sales Representative for Thermo Seal and his area is the Highlands and the Kawartha region. He lives in the village of Haliburton with wife Linda and 4 of their 9 children, Tamara 23, Rebecca 21, Michael 18, and Dean 17. Bryan is originally from Fort Erie where he was a Director of Engineering of the international division for a company that specializes in making industrial boilers. He was a combustion engineer for a total of 40 years.

Bryan's business dealings took him back and forth over the peace bridge on a regular basis. His way of life changed drastically after the 9/11 crisis, as regular daily trips over the bridge became too much of a problem. On a visit to the Highlands to help friend Tom Green put in wiring to his Glass Eagle Studio, Bryan fell in love with the area, and he and his family made the move about 5 years ago. "Another friend of mine who worked for Thermo Seal told me what a great company it was, and just like that a door was opened." Bryan stepped through that "door" and the rest, as they say is history.

An ardent conservationist Bryan is "excited about being involved with Thermo Seal because we are reducing heat loss and therefore conserving energy." And he's a good salesman as he's quick to fill in some other details about the company. "Thermo Seal is a fully insured company, and every technician is certified in the BIB system," he says. The certification come via the BIB contractors association (BIBCA). "We guarantee our workmanship," he

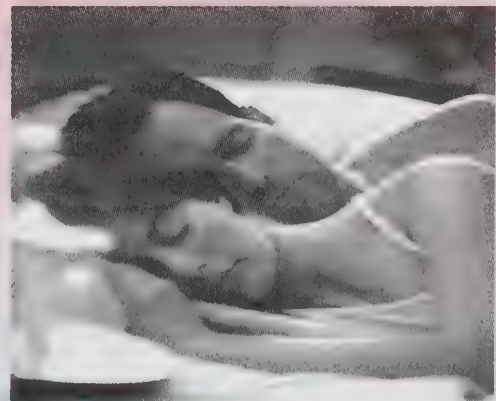
continues, "and if there's ever a problem we drop everything and fix it." Employees are trained and licensed professionals. There are crews that prepare the walls, cathedral ceilings, rim and floor joists etc, by installing a mesh type material. Other crews blow the insulation into the cavities and install the vapour barrier. Supervisors check the job sites before work begins to ensure the site is ready, and during the installation to ensure quality and control. "Any potential problems identified are passed on to the installers and the building contractors."

Bryan would also like to pass on the information that "in addition to new construction or renovations Thermo Seal Insulation Systems also deals with upgrading of commercial or residential properties." Perhaps another small, but significant thing should be mentioned; "when you call our office you don't get an answering machine, you get to talk to a person," Bryan is proud to relate.

So, if you're in the market for state of the art insulation give Thermo Seal Insulations a call, and save your money while helping to save the environment at the same time. You can contact regional sales representative Bryan Spencer by phone at (705) 789-1962, or 1-800-461-5672, fax (705) 789-1963, and by email at sales@thermosealinsulation.ca. The web site can be found at www.thermosealinsulation.ca

Pictured: Sales Rep Bryan Spencer and owner Richard Clement

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Walker arched his eyebrows. "You seem sure of that."

"I am," said Stanwick earnestly. "He says he was running because he meant to leave for an appointment at eleven, but got so absorbed in a network hospital drama that he lost track of time. Nonsense! The TV networks all switch over to local news at eleven. Your witness was even watching the eleven o'clock news (though possibly on another network) when the shot was fired."

"Maybe Carter dozed off."

Stanwick shook his head. "He explicitly denied that, remember? No, the hospital show must have ended by eleven. Carter's lying, and a parolee wouldn't lie about a murder alibi unless he did the deed."

"If he made up the appointment," asked Walker, "why make it with the murder victim?"

"Why not?" Stanwick smiled. "The shooting was probably unplanned, so he didn't have time to set up an alibi ahead of time. He knew that his connection with the victim would be uncovered. And the dead man couldn't deny that Carter had the appointment. A nice impromptu try on his part, but not quite good enough."

Stan Smith has written three books of Stanwick mini-mysteries that have been published in nine languages. He also produces a free Monthly MysteryGram with an original mini-mystery in each issue. To learn more about mini-mysteries, or to subscribe to the Monthly MysteryGram, please visit www.stanwick-mini-mysteries.com.

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A River Runs Through Your Dream Property - Imagine 1200 ft of river frontage, listen to the water sometimes rushing over the rocks, other times it is a babbling brook. Wonderful swimming area. Connect with nature on this 14 acre parcel. Completely updated home/cottage with total of 3 bdrms on upper and lower floor. 2 baths, Jacuzzi, and hot tub, central vac. Hardwood and slate floors. Oil fired hot water heating. Separate building 20X40 with guest 1/2's, plus 22X24 carport all with many possible uses. **\$519,000.00**

WIN THIS!



Do business with the Mother/Daughter Team by Sat Oct 6 2007 and have opportunity to win a Balau Wood (25% denser than Teak) outdoor dining set with a retail value of approx \$3000.00. 2nd prize will have a retail value of \$600.00 and 3rd prize will have retail value of \$200.00. All items are from the **Highland Leisure Store at Carnarvon**. A monthly draw will also take place and the winner will receive a matted wildlife or nature photo.



Newly severed large building lot on Paddys Bay off Kennisis Lake chain. 5.3acre lot with 720 ft of frontage. More than one building lot on the site. Driveway is in and Hydro and telephone easily accessible. Fairly level and good drainage for easy building. Easy access - first lot off Kennisis Lake Rd. **\$399,000.00**



Over 3 acre building lot near Sir Sam's Ski hill in the area of many prestigious homes and cottages. Near public access to no motor Basshunt LK and Eagle LK. Great area for all winter and summer activities. Well treed private building lot. This property is suitable for your home or cottage as it is just a short drive to Haliburton. Adjacent lot with 2.75 acres for sale also. **\$24,900.00**



Year round cottage or home on 2 lake Kennisis chain. Property is everyones dream, 199 ft fr, fairly level, Private!!! Deep water off the dock. Sunsets on large dock. 3 bdrms, 2 dens. Lge family room on walk out level, pool table laundry area etc. Lots of wood finishings, cathedral ceilings, cozy well maintained. Definitely one to see. **\$545,000.00**



4 bdrm 4 season cottage on 2 lake Kennisis chain. Carpet and wood floors, natural stone fireplace, totally open concept with 3 W/O One off the master bdrm. Massive stones form the waterfront and path to cottage. Water entry on flat granite to excellent swimming.



Looking to start your own business? Check out this acre lot property in Industrial Park. Over 2200 sq. ft. building with 3 phase hydro. Building has dirt floor and is partially open so you can do with it as you please. **\$119,900.00**



2 bedroom home in Hunter Creek Estates (adult living community) on one of the largest lots in the park. Some features include 4pc bath, 2pc bath, Florida room, new deck off living room, work shop off back of garage and a storage shed. This home has all new windows, door, plumbing, faucets flooring, rubber roof, 100 amp panel and the best if the hydro goes out a 30,000 BTU propane Napoleon fireplace. Vendor take back possible. **\$79,900.00**



200 ft frontage on Bitter Lake, Haliburton. Enjoy western sunsets from your large entertaining cedar deck or deck/dock at waterfront. 3 bedroom back split cottage with fireplace, wood floors and 2 baths. Separate unique building for entertaining or for the young ones to get away to. Absolute privacy. **\$629,000.00**

Lot next door available for **\$249,900.00**
MLS. Package sale would give you 261 ft frontage. VTB considered **\$619,900.00**



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